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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BULLYING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to part II, subpart C, to be
- 3 appropriately designated and to read as follows:
- 4 "§302A- Bullying prohibition; disciplinary action. (a)
- 5 The department shall establish policies to prohibit bullying at
- 6 public schools. The policies shall include the establishment of
- 7 anti-bullying education classes and the mandatory attendance and
- 8 successful completion of the classes by the offending student
- 9 and at least one parent or guardian.
- 10 (b) In addition to any other disciplinary action, any
- 11 student found to have engaged in bullying shall be suspended
- 12 until the student and a parent or quardian of that student
- 13 successfully completes an anti-bullying education class
- 14 conducted or approved by the department. The cost of attending
- 15 the anti-bullying education class shall be borne by the
- 16 student's parent or quardian."
- 17 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.



SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

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Report Title:

Bullying; Cyberbullying; Education; Public School

Description:

Requires the Department of Education to establish policies to prohibit bullying. Requires those policies to include antibullying classes for students found to have engaged in bullying and the parents or guardians of those students. Requires suspension of any student found to have engaged in bullying until the student and the student's parent or guardian have successfully completed an anti-bullying class at the parent's or guardian's expense.

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