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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

**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 be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§302A- Library; requirement. (a) Beginning with the  
5 - school year, each public school shall have a part-time  
6 or full-time library.

7           (b) For the purposes of this section:

8           "Full-time" means the library is open for           hours per  
9 school week.

10           "Part-time" means the library is open for           hours per  
11 school week."

12           SECTION 2. (a) The department of education shall develop  
13 a plan to ensure that each public school has a part-time or  
14 full-time library. The plan shall include:

15           (1) A list of the public schools that do not presently  
16           have a part-time or full-time library;



1 (2) A comprehensive list of necessary costs to ensure that  
2 each public school has a part-time or full-time  
3 library, including costs for construction, books,  
4 supplies, and staffing;

5 (3) A reasonable timeline to ensure that part-time or full  
6 time libraries can be established at each public  
7 school, if applicable; and

8 (4) Any other relevant information the department of  
9 education deems necessary to carry out the purposes of  
10 this Act.

11 (b) The department of education shall submit its plan to  
12 the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the regular  
13 session of 2018.

14 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
16 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and  
17 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
18 year 2018-2019 for the purposes of this Act.

19 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
20 of education for the purposes of this Act.

21 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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# S.B. NO. 616

**Report Title:**

Public Schools; Library; Requirements; Department of Education; Appropriation

**Description:**

Requires that each public school has a part-time or full-time library. Requires the department of education to develop a plan to ensure that each school has a part-time or full-time library. Appropriates funds.

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