
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- Sex trafficking education and response. (a)

5 The department may offer voluntary training for teachers and
6 educational officers on sex trafficking prevention and response,
7 including:

8 (1) Methods used to lure children into sex trafficking;

9 (2) Identifying victims of sex trafficking;

10 (3) Effects of sex trafficking on a victim's social,
11 mental, and physical health;

12 (4) Strategies to assist in the prevention of sex
13 trafficking of children;

14 (5) Trauma-informed strategies for responding to victims
15 of sex trafficking;

16 (6) Information resources for victims of sex trafficking;

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1 (7) Information resources for agencies that may provide
2 services to students who have been identified as
3 victims of sex trafficking or who are at risk of
4 victimization.

5 (b) At the beginning of each school year, explanatory
6 information about any protocols the department has approved for
7 handling victims of sex trafficking shall be made available to
8 teachers and educational officers.

9 (c) The department may coordinate and contract with any
10 state or county department or agency, any victim services
11 provider, or any other expert in the field of sex trafficking
12 prevention and response to implement this section.

13 (d) As used in this section, "victim services provider"
14 means any non-governmental organization that provides social,
15 medical, mental health, legal, case management, educational,
16 emergency, or housing services to victims of sex trafficking."

17 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Department of Education; Teachers; Sex Trafficking Prevention; Training

Description:

Allows the department of education to offer voluntary training for teachers and educational officers on sex trafficking prevention. Requires the department to provide explanatory information about sex trafficking prevention and response to teachers and educational officers.

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