## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that hot classroom
- 2 temperatures in Hawaii's public schools can adversely affect
- 3 students by making them drowsy, irritable, and unmotivated.
- 4 Hawaii's overheated classrooms can also cause students to suffer
- 5 headaches, nausea, and heat rashes.
- 6 The legislature further finds that classroom temperatures
- 7 over eighty degrees can lead to students' decreased
- 8 concentration and decreased performance on testing.
- 9 The legislature also finds that heat abatement in Hawaii's
- 10 public schools is becoming a necessity for students to learn and
- 11 enjoy their time in school. During the fall of 2017, the State
- 12 fulfilled its promise to install air conditioning in more than
- 13 one thousand classrooms in eighty-eight public schools across
- 14 five islands. However, there continues to be a need to install
- 15 air conditioning in public school classrooms as some classrooms
- 16 remain without air conditioning units.

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- 1 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the
- 2 installation of air conditioning in Hawaii's public school
- 3 permanent classrooms and portable classrooms that have not yet
- 4 received air conditioning units; provided that the school
- 5 principal designates the installation of air conditioning units
- 6 as the school's top priority.
- 7 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 8 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 9 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for
- 10 the installation of air conditioning in those Hawaii public
- 11 school classrooms that have not received air conditioning units;
- 12 provided that the school principal designates the installation
- 13 of air conditioning units as the school's top priority.
- 14 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 15 education for the purposes of this Act.
- 16 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

### H.B. NO. 2509 H.D. 1

### Report Title:

Public Schools; Air Conditioning; Appropriation

### Description:

Appropriates funds for the Department of Education to install air conditioning in public schools that prioritize the project. Takes effect on 7/1/2050. (HD1)

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