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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE COOLING INITIATIVE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 47, Session Laws
- 2 of Hawaii 2016 (Act 47), appropriated \$100,000,000 for the
- 3 installation of air conditioning units in the State's public
- 4 schools. In appropriating these funds, the legislature
- 5 recognized that air conditioning helps to preserve and protect
- 6 the health of students and teachers and fosters a more
- 7 comfortable and productive learning environment.
- 8 The legislature further finds that the funding appropriated
- 9 by Act 47 was exhausted after air conditioning units were
- 10 installed in approximately nine hundred classrooms, leaving
- 11 numerous public schools, including many on the island of Hawaii,
- 12 still without heat abatement.
- Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
- 14 funds for the installation of air conditioning units in
- 15 department of education schools on the island of Hawaii.
- 16 SECTION 2. The legislature encourages the administrative
- 17 services assistants for all public schools on the island of



- 1 Hawaii to apply at the earliest possible date for an electrical
- 2 assessment by the department of education to determine whether
- 3 any electrical safety mitigation is necessary prior to
- 4 installing air conditioning units.
- 5 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$9,642,000 or so much
- 7 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for the
- 8 installation of air conditioning units in department of
- 9 education schools on the island of Hawaii.
- 10 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 11 education for the purposes of this Act. Any funds not expended
- 12 or encumbered as of July 1, 2022, shall lapse to the credit of
- 13 the general fund.
- 14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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Description:

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