DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

## 7/7/2022

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS HONOLULU

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on 7/7/2022, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2862 SD1 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO EDUCATION. **ACT 260** 

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor JUL 0 7 2022

**ACT 260** 

THE SENATE THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2022 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. C.D. 1

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

	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, heat rashes, heat exhaustion, and, in severe
6	cases, heat stroke. Additionally, studies show that while
7	classroom temperatures over eighty degrees can negatively impact
8	student achievement, temperatures in Hawaii's classrooms are
9	regularly recorded at over one hundred degrees during certain
10	periods of the school year.
11	The legislature additionally finds that \$100,000,000 was
12	appropriated for the department of education's heat abatement
13	program through Act 47, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016. While the
13	program through Act 47, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016. While the

14 \$100,000,000 appropriated in 2016 successfully funded heat 15 abatement upgrades for over one thousand three hundred public school classrooms, over five thousand classrooms still require 16 17 heat abatement improvements. With classroom temperatures

continuing to escalate because of the impact of climate change 2022-3196 SB2862 CD1 SMA-1.doc

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- 1 on the State, providing heat abatement upgrades for overheated
- 2 classrooms remains a high priority for Hawaii's public school
- 3 system.
- 4 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the
- 5 installation of air conditioning in Hawaii's public school
- 6 classrooms.
- 7 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 8 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$10,000,000 or so
- 9 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for
- 10 the installation of air conditioning in Hawaii public school
- 11 classrooms that have not received air conditioning units or
- 12 other heat abatement measures.
- 13 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 14 education for the purposes of this Act.
- 15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

S.B. NO. 2862 S.D. 1 H.D. 1 C.D. 1

APPROVED this 7th day of July , 2022

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## THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: May 3, 2022 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2022.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 2862, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1

## THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 03, 2022 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives