

ACT 172

H.B. NO. 1878

A Bill for an Act Relating to Education.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hawaii state student council has been functioning for many years. However, although the council is mentioned in the state constitution, it has never been formally established in statute. In establishing the council statutorily, this Act continues the operations of the existing council and requires it to:

- (1) Determine its composition and governance policies; and
- (2) Select or run an election for the student member of the board of education.

SECTION 2. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§302A- Hawaii state student council. (a) There is established within the department for administrative purposes the Hawaii state student council, which shall consist of representation from each departmental school district.

(b) The council shall determine whether it shall directly select the student member of the board or whether it shall run an election to select that individual.

(c) The council shall establish policies and procedures governing its operations, including the selection and number of council members, without regard to the public notice, public hearing, and gubernatorial approval requirements of chapter 91, but subject to the open meeting requirements of chapter 92.

(d) The Hawaii state student council shall cooperate with the student conference committee established under section 317-2 in planning the annual secondary school students conference established under chapter 317.’’

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2002.

(Approved June 19, 2002.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.