
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 302A-251, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "[+]§302A-251[+] School year; instructional time. (a)
4 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for the [~~2011-~~
5 ~~2013]~~ 2014-2016 school years, all public schools, except charter
6 schools[~~7~~] and multi-track public schools, shall implement a
7 school year of one hundred eighty days, excluding professional
8 development days and other non-instructional days negotiated
9 pursuant to chapter 89, that shall include:

10 (1) Nine hundred fifteen student instructional hours for
11 the elementary school grades; and

12 (2) Nine hundred ninety student instructional hours for
13 the secondary school grades.

14 (b) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for the
15 [~~2013-2015]~~ 2016-2018 school years, all public schools, except
16 charter schools[~~7~~] and multi-track public schools, shall
17 implement a school year of one hundred eighty days, excluding
18 professional development days and other non-instructional days



1 negotiated pursuant to chapter 89, that shall include one
2 thousand eighty student instructional hours for both elementary
3 and secondary school grades.

4 (c) For purposes of this section, "student instructional
5 hours" means student learning time during which students are
6 engaged in learning activities including regularly-scheduled
7 instruction and learning assessments within the curriculum, and
8 does not include lunch, recess, or passing time.

9 (d) The department of education shall:

10 (1) Re-examine what constitutes student instructional
11 hours, determine current levels of instructional hours
12 at each school, and assess the ability of all schools
13 to comply with the requirements of subsections (a) and
14 (b); and

15 (2) Report its findings under paragraph (1) to the
16 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
17 convening of the regular session of 2012.

18 (e) The department of education, with the board of
19 education and office of the governor, and in consultation with
20 representatives of the affected collective bargaining units,
21 shall submit to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
22 to the convening of the regular sessions of 2013, 2014, 2015,



1 2016, 2017, and 2018, a report on its progress and efforts to
2 meet the requirements of subsections (a) and (b)."

3 SECTION 2. Act 167, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010, is
4 amended by amending section 4 to read as follows:

5 "SECTION 4. The department of education shall, with the
6 board of education and office of the governor, and in
7 consultation with representatives of the affected collective
8 bargaining units, submit to the legislature, no later than
9 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of
10 ~~[2012,]~~ 2015, a plan to implement beginning with the 2018-2019
11 school year, for elementary and secondary school grades at all
12 public schools, except charter schools and multi-track public
13 schools, a school year of one hundred ninety days, excluding
14 professional development days and other non-instructional days
15 negotiated pursuant to chapter 89, Hawaii Revised Statutes, that
16 shall include one thousand one hundred forty student
17 instructional hours ~~[for both elementary and secondary school~~
18 ~~grades at all public schools, except charter schools, for school~~
19 ~~years beginning with the 2015-2016 school year].~~

20 For purposes of this section, "student instructional hours"
21 shall have the same meaning as in section ~~[302A—,]~~ 302A-251,
22 Hawaii Revised Statutes."



1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Department of Education; Instructional Days

Description:

Delays the required increases and plan for increases in instructional time pursuant to section 302A-251, HRS, and section 4 of Act 167, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010 (Act 167). Exempts multi-track public schools from Act 167. Includes reporting requirements. (SD1)

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