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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AIR CONDITIONING IN PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The department of education and department of  
2 accounting and general services, in consultation with the Hawaii  
3 state energy office of the department of business, economic  
4 development, and tourism and the Hawaii natural energy institute  
5 of the University of Hawaii, shall jointly develop a master  
6 strategy for the cooling at all public school facilities and  
7 conduct a comprehensive study that addresses factors including:

- 8           (1) Applicable electrical and environmental standards  
9           governing air conditioning equipment and use;  
10          (2) Estimated capital improvement project costs;  
11          (3) Projected long-term repair and maintenance costs; and  
12          (4) Any other relevant factors that may impact the  
13           legislature's decision-making process for funding the  
14           master strategy for cooling at all public school  
15           facilities.

16          SECTION 2. The department of education and department of  
17 accounting and general services shall submit a joint report of  
18 findings and recommendations, including any proposed



1 legislation, to the legislature not later than twenty days prior  
2 to the convening of the regular session of 2015. The report  
3 shall include:

4 (1) A timeline, including dates and prioritization  
5 schedules, for the implementation of the master  
6 strategy for cooling all public school facilities;

7 (2) Discussion on the capacity, infrastructure, and  
8 funding needs of the department of education in  
9 implementing the master strategy for cooling all  
10 public school facilities; and

11 (3) Discussion on how the master strategy for cooling all  
12 public school facilities complements and overlaps with  
13 the department of education's overall facilities  
14 master plan and sustainability efforts.

15 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much  
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 for the  
18 development of a master strategy for cooling all public school  
19 facilities and for a comprehensive study.

20 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
21 education for the purposes of this section.



1           SECTION 4. The director of finance is authorized to issue  
2 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$                    or so much  
3 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof  
4 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2014-2015  
5 for the purpose of funding projects that demonstrate efficient  
6 methods to air condition classrooms.

7           The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
8 education for the purposes of this section.

9           SECTION 5. The appropriation made for the capital  
10 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at  
11 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is  
12 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation in section  
13 4 that are unencumbered as of June 30, 2016, shall lapse as of  
14 that date.

15           SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



**Report Title:**

Public Schools; Air Conditioning; Appropriation

**Description:**

Requires the Department of Education and Department of Accounting and General Services, in consultation with the Hawaii State Energy Office of the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and the Hawaii Natural Energy Institute of the University of Hawaii, to develop a cooling master strategy and comprehensive study for the public schools and to report findings to the 2015 regular session of the Legislature. Authorizes general obligation bonds and appropriates funds for efficient air conditioned classroom demonstration projects.  
(SB2424 HD1)

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