
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COOLING SYSTEMS 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 state
3 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 conduct a
6 comprehensive study and develop a master strategy for
7 implementing cooling systems at all public school facilities,
8 including:

- 9 (1) Applicable electrical and environmental standards
10 governing air-conditioning equipment and use;
- 11 (2) Estimated capital improvement project costs;
- 12 (3) Projected long-term repair and maintenance costs; and
- 13 (4) Any other factors that are relevant to the
14 consideration of the departments' proposals for
15 funding the master strategy for implementing cooling
16 systems at all public school facilities.



1 SECTION 2. The department of education and department of
2 accounting and general services shall submit a joint report of
3 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
4 legislation, to the legislature not later than twenty days prior
5 to the convening of the regular session of 2016. The report
6 shall include:

7 (1) A timeline, including dates and prioritization
8 schedules, for the implementation of the master
9 strategy for implementing cooling systems at all
10 public school facilities;

11 (2) Discussion of the capacity, infrastructure, and
12 funding needs of the department of education in
13 implementing the master strategy; and

14 (3) Discussion on how the master strategy complements and
15 overlaps with the department of education's overall
16 facilities master plan and sustainability efforts.

17 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
18 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
19 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 for the
20 development of a master strategy for implementing cooling



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1 systems at all public school facilities, including a
2 comprehensive study, as specified in this Act.

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

5 SECTION 4. The director of finance is authorized to issue
6 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much
7 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
8 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2015-2016
9 for the purpose of funding projects that demonstrate efficient
10 methods to cool classrooms in public schools.

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

13 SECTION 5. The appropriation made for the capital
14 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at
15 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is
16 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
17 unencumbered as of June 30, 2018, shall lapse as of that date.

18 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Public Schools; Air Conditioning; Appropriation

Description:

Requires DOE and DAGS, in consultation with the State Energy Office, to develop a cooling master strategy and comprehensive retrofitting study for public schools and to report findings to the Legislature. Authorizes general obligation bonds and appropriates funds for efficient classroom-cooling demonstration projects.

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