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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1           SECTION 1. Act 205, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, mandates  
2 that the department of education create a quarterly report  
3 about, among other things, students with autism spectrum  
4 disorder, staffing requirements, and Medicaid reimbursements.  
5 However, the quarterly report is a burdensome reporting  
6 requirement for the department with few changes reflected  
7 between each period. Changing the requirement to an annual  
8 report would provide a more equitable balance between the  
9 benefit of having the informational report and the associated  
10 additional workload.

11           The purpose of this Act is to amend the reporting period  
12 from quarterly to annually under Act 205, Session Laws of Hawaii  
13 2018.

14           SECTION 2. Act 205, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, section  
15 6, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

16           "(c) After the submission of the initial report to the  
17 legislature and board of education pursuant to subsection (b),  
18 the department of education shall submit [~~quarterly reports~~] an



1 annual report to the legislature and board of education;  
2 provided that the [~~quarterly reports~~] annual report shall  
3 include the following:

4 [~~(1)~~] ~~The number of students diagnosed with autism spectrum~~  
5 ~~disorder;~~

6 ~~(2)~~] (1) The number of students [~~with~~] eligible for  
7 special education and related services under the  
8 category of autism spectrum disorder [~~as part of~~  
9 ~~their~~] who have an individualized education [~~plan~~];  
10 program;

11 [~~(3)~~] (2) The number of students requiring applied behavior  
12 analysis;

13 [~~(4)~~] (3) Staffing updates and needs;

14 [~~(5)~~] (4) Medicaid reimbursement schedules and amounts;

15 [~~(6)~~] (5) Licensure updates; and

16 [~~(7)~~] (6) Any other information pertinent to the  
17 implementation of this Act."

18 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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



**Report Title:**

Department of Education; Report; Autism Spectrum Disorder

**Description:**

Changes the Department of Education's quarterly report requirement on autism spectrum disorder to an annual report.  
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