
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the state
2 educational facilities improvement special fund is used to plan,
3 design, construct, maintain, and acquire lands for public school
4 facilities. The special fund finances projects that address
5 classroom necessities. However, the special fund is currently
6 overwhelmed with the demand for repairs. Years of under-funding
7 maintenance projects has culminated in a massive school repair
8 and renovation crisis. As recently as six months ago, asbestos
9 was found under twelve sinks at Haleiwa elementary school, which
10 disturbingly recalled the incident a year ago when asbestos was
11 again found in the exterior walls of two buildings at King
12 intermediate. Kailua intermediate school also made headlines
13 last year when a roof collapsed on its campus. All of these
14 potentially life-threatening situations required immediate
15 attention and a disruption of classes. Presently, the
16 department of education major repair and maintenance backlog
17 totals \$525,000,000.



1 The purpose of this Act is to provide additional funds to
2 address this repair and maintenance backlog.

3 SECTION 2. Section 237-31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 "**§237-31 Remittances.** All remittances of taxes imposed by
6 this chapter shall be made by money, bank draft, check,
7 cashier's check, money order, or certificate of deposit to the
8 office of the department of taxation to which the return was
9 transmitted. The department shall issue its receipts therefor
10 to the taxpayer and shall pay the moneys into the state treasury
11 as a state realization, to be kept and accounted for as provided
12 by law; provided that:

- 13 (1) The sum from all general excise tax revenues realized
14 by the State that represents the difference between
15 [~~\$45,000,000~~] \$ _____ and the proceeds from the
16 sale of any general obligation bonds authorized for
17 that fiscal year for the purposes of the state
18 educational facilities improvement special fund shall
19 be deposited in the state treasury in each fiscal year
20 to the credit of the state educational facilities
21 improvement special fund;

1 (2) A sum, not to exceed \$5,000,000, from all general
2 excise tax revenues realized by the State shall be
3 deposited in the state treasury in each fiscal year to
4 the credit of the compound interest bond reserve fund;
5 and

6 (3) A sum, not to exceed the amount necessary to meet the
7 obligations of the integrated tax information
8 management systems performance-based contract may be
9 retained and deposited in the state treasury to the
10 credit of the integrated tax information management
11 systems special fund. The sum retained by the
12 director of taxation for deposit to the integrated tax
13 information management systems special fund for each
14 fiscal year shall be limited to amounts appropriated
15 by the legislature. This paragraph shall be repealed
16 on July 1, 2005."

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

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



Report Title:

State Educational Facilities Improvement Special Fund

Description:

Changes to an unspecified amount the base figure used to determine the amount of general excise tax revenues deposited into the state educational facilities improvement special fund.
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