
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

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

1 SECTION 1. According to the federal Asbestos Hazard
2 Emergency Response Act of 1986 requirements, asbestos testing
3 prior to renovations or painting needs to be done only on
4 suspected asbestos containing materials. Currently, testing new
5 paint is not necessary because new paint is not a suspected
6 material for asbestos.

7 The purpose of this Act is to amend Act 186, Session Laws
8 of Hawaii 2005, to clarify that testing, in accordance with the
9 federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986, is
10 required only when there are suspected asbestos containing
11 materials that would be affected during renovation or painting
12 of school facilities.

13 SECTION 2. Act 186, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, is
14 amended by amending section 2 to read as follows:

15 "SECTION 2. The department of education shall be
16 responsible for ensuring that asbestos testing is conducted on
17 all suspected asbestos containing materials, as required by the
18 federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986, prior to



1 any exterior or interior renovations or painting of school
2 facilities at all department of education schools, except
3 charter schools, provided that the surfaces have not previously
4 been tested."

5 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Schools; Facilities; Asbestos Testing

Description:

Limits asbestos testing at school facilities to suspected asbestos containing materials, as required by the federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986.

