
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii's children
2 deserve a quality education in a clean and safe environment.
3 Many schools have leaky roofs, termite-infested floors,
4 crumbling walls, and overheated classrooms. The legislature
5 further finds that there is a compelling need to immediately
6 fund the backlog of repair and maintenance projects in the
7 public schools.

8 In 2001, the legislature appropriated funds to help
9 mitigate the department of education's estimated \$640,000,000
10 backlog of repair and maintenance projects. In 2007, the
11 estimated backlog of repair and maintenance projects was
12 \$341,000,000, which included recurring major and minor repairs,
13 ongoing cycle maintenance, service and contract maintenance,
14 nonrecurring projects, and emergency repairs. Unfortunately,
15 due in part to the governor's decision not to release
16 \$140,000,000 previously approved by the legislature during past
17 legislative sessions for repair and maintenance projects of the



1 department of education, the backlog remains and continues to
 2 increase. In 2008, the backlog increased to approximately
 3 \$421,000,000 and declined slightly to \$347,000,000 by September
 4 of 2009, but is expected to increase by an additional
 5 \$75,000,000 during upcoming fiscal years.

6 It is the intent of the legislature to reduce the backlog
 7 of repair and maintenance projects within the public schools to
 8 a manageable level. To meet this objective, this Act authorizes
 9 the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriates
 10 \$155,000,000 annually through fiscal year 2012 for repair and
 11 maintenance projects of the department of education. At the
 12 rate of \$155,000,000 annually, the backlog will be reduced after
 13 three years, as follows:

	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012
15 Current backlog	\$347,000,000	\$267,000,000	\$187,000,000
16 Annual increase	\$75,000,000	\$75,000,000	\$75,000,000
17 GO funding	(\$155,000,000)	(\$155,000,000)	(\$155,000,000)
18 Remaining R&M	\$267,000,000	\$187,000,000	\$107,000,000

19 The purpose of this part is to authorize the issuance of
 20 general obligation bonds and appropriate the revenues derived
 21 therefrom to reduce the backlog of repair and maintenance
 22 projects of the department of education.



1 SECTION 2. 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 2010-2011
5 for the purpose of funding the department of education's repair
6 and maintenance projects.

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

9 SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital
10 improvement projects authorized by this part 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
13 section 2 unencumbered as of June 30, 2012, shall lapse as of
14 that date.

15 SECTION 4. If any provision of this Act, or the
16 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held
17 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
18 applications of the Act, which can be given effect without the
19 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions
20 of this Act are severable.

21 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2010.

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Report Title:

DOE; Repair and Maintenance; GO Bonds

Description:

Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to fund department of education repair and maintenance projects. (SD1)

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