
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 302A-251, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 " ~~[H]~~ §302A-251 ~~[H]~~ School year; instructional time. (a)
4 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for the 2011-2013
5 school years, all public schools, except charter schools~~[7]~~ and
6 multi track public schools, shall implement a school year of one
7 hundred eighty days, excluding professional development days and
8 other non-instructional days negotiated pursuant to chapter 89,
9 that shall include:

10 (1) Nine hundred fifteen student instructional hours for
11 the elementary school grades; and

12 (2) Nine hundred ninety student instructional hours for
13 the secondary school grades.

14 (b) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for the
15 2013-2015 school years, all public schools, except charter
16 schools~~[7]~~ and multi track public schools, shall implement a
17 school year of one hundred eighty days, excluding professional
18 development days and other non-instructional days negotiated



1 pursuant to chapter 89, that shall include one thousand eighty
2 student instructional hours for both elementary and secondary
3 school grades.

4 (c) Multi track public schools shall implement a school
5 year of no less than:

6 (1) Either one hundred seventy-one days or ninety per cent
7 of the number of days required in other public
8 schools, except charter schools, under subsections (a)
9 and (b) for each respective school year, whichever
10 number is greater; and

11 (2) Ninety per cent of the number of student instructional
12 hours required in other public schools, except charter
13 schools, under subsections (a) and (b) for each
14 respective school year.

15 [~~e~~] (d) For purposes of this section, "student
16 instructional hours" means student learning time during which
17 students are engaged in learning activities including regularly-
18 scheduled instruction and learning assessments within the
19 curriculum, and does not include lunch, recess, or passing
20 time."

21 SECTION 2. Act 167, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010, is
22 amended by amending section 4 to read as follows:



1 "SECTION 4. The department of education shall, with the
2 board of education and office of the governor, and in
3 consultation with representatives of the affected collective
4 bargaining units, submit to the legislature, no later than
5 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of
6 2012, a plan to implement the following requirements for school
7 years beginning with the 2015-2016 school year:

8 (1) For elementary and secondary school grades at all
9 public schools, except charter schools and multi track
10 public schools, a school year of one hundred ninety
11 days, excluding professional development days and
12 other non-instructional days negotiated pursuant to
13 chapter 89, Hawaii Revised Statutes, that shall
14 include one thousand one hundred forty student
15 instructional hours [~~for both elementary and secondary~~
16 ~~school grades at all public schools, except charter~~
17 ~~schools, for school years beginning with the 2015-2016~~
18 ~~school year.]; and~~

19 (2) For all multi track public schools, no less than
20 ninety per cent of the number of days and student
21 instructional hours required in other public schools,
22 except charter schools, under paragraph (1).



1 For purposes of this section, "student instructional hours"
2 shall have the same meaning as in section [~~302A~~] 302A-251,
3 Hawaii Revised Statutes."

4 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Instructional Days; Multi Track Public Schools

Description:

Requires multi track public schools to meet at least 171 days or 90 per cent of the minimum number of days required of other non-charter public schools for each respective school year, whichever number is greater, and at least 90 per cent of the minimum number of student instructional hours required of other non-charter public schools for each respective school year. Requires DOE to submit to the legislature a plan to implement a school year for multi track schools beginning with the 2015-2016 school year of no less than 90 per cent of the minimum number of instructional days and hours required of other public schools.

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