
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 711, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§711- Bullying in school. (1) A person commits the
5 offense of bullying in school if the person intentionally
6 subjects a primary or secondary school student to bullying with
7 intent to create, or in reckless disregard of the risk of
8 creating, an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational
9 environment for the student being bullied.

10 (2) Bullying in school is a misdemeanor.

11 (3) A person convicted under this section shall be
12 required to undergo a counseling program as ordered by the
13 court."

14 SECTION 2. Section 711-1100, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
16 and to read as follows:

17 ""Bullying" means any written, verbal, or physical behavior
18 committed by a person, whether a student or not, against an



1 elementary or secondary school student, whether in person, by
2 electronic transmission, or otherwise, that causes physical or
3 psychological harm to the student."

4 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
5 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
6 begun before its effective date.

7 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Offenses Against Public Order; School Bullying

Description:

Makes bullying in schools a misdemeanor offense and requires counseling for anyone convicted of the offense.

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