
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 as follows:

3 1. By amending subsections (b) to (d) to read:

4 "(b) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary:

- 5 (1) For the 2011-2012 school year, fifty per cent of all
6 public elementary schools in the State, excluding
7 charter schools and multi-track public schools, shall
8 implement a school year that includes no less than
9 nine hundred fifteen student instructional hours; and
10 (2) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, all public
11 elementary schools in the State, excluding charter
12 schools and multi-track public schools, shall
13 implement a school year that includes no less than
14 nine hundred fifteen student instructional hours.

15 (c) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for the
16 2014-2016 school years, all public secondary schools, excluding
17 charter schools and multi-track public schools, shall implement



1 a school year that includes no less than nine hundred ninety
2 student instructional hours.

3 (d) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for the
4 2016-2018 school years, all public schools, excluding charter
5 schools and multi-track public schools, shall implement a school
6 year of one hundred eighty days, excluding professional
7 development days and other non-instructional days negotiated
8 pursuant to chapter 89, that shall include no less than one
9 thousand eighty student instructional hours for both elementary
10 and secondary school grades."

11 2. By amending subsection (f) to read:

12 "(f) For purposes of this section, "student instructional
13 hours" means [~~student~~]:

14 (1) Student learning time in elementary schools during
15 which students are engaged in learning activities
16 [~~including regularly-scheduled~~] that may include
17 regularly scheduled instruction [and], project-based
18 learning assignments, technology-assisted learning,
19 learning assessments within the curriculum[~~, and does~~
20 ~~not include lunch, recess, or passing time.~~], and all
21 other activities in which there is a related general
22 learner outcome attached to such time; and



- 1 (2) Student learning time in secondary schools during
2 which students are engaged in learning activities that
3 may include regularly scheduled instruction, project-
4 based learning assignments, technology-assisted
5 learning, and learning assessments within the
6 curriculum; provided that for purposes of determining
7 the adequacy of instructional time for secondary
8 schools, "student instructional hours" may include:
- 9 (A) Presentations by persons other than teachers;
10 (B) Directed study;
11 (C) Time spent in homeroom;
12 (D) Student advisory time;
13 (E) Statewide performance assessment; and
14 (F) All other activities in which there is a related
15 general learner outcome attached to such time."

16 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
17 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Education; Instructional Hours

Description:

Amends the definition of "student instructional hours" for elementary and secondary schools. Clarifies that specified student instructional hour requirements are minimum requirements. (HB60 HD1)

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