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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to improve the
2 overall health of Hawaii's population and reduce the incidence
3 of cervical and other cancers by requiring the department of
4 education, in collaboration with the department of health, to
5 provide, without charge, accurate educational information on
6 human papillomavirus, the link between human papillomavirus
7 infection and cervical cancer, and the availability of human
8 papillomavirus immunizations to the parents of all public school
9 students in sixth grade.

10 SECTION 2. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by adding a new section to subpart C of part II to be
12 appropriately designated and to read as follows:

13 "§302A- Human papillomavirus; information. Beginning
14 with the 2015-2016 school year, the department shall annually
15 provide to each parent or legal guardian of a student who is
16 entering sixth grade information on the availability of
17 vaccination against human papillomavirus, as recommended by the
18 federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Advisory



1 Committee on Immunization Practices. Such information shall be
 2 approved by the department of health prior to dissemination and
 3 shall include, at a minimum, the connection between human
 4 papillomavirus and cervical cancer, as well as other cancers and
 5 diseases. The information shall also notify the parent or legal
 6 guardian that a vaccine is available to help prevent human
 7 papillomavirus infection and that the Advisory Committee
 8 recommends that the vaccination process be completed before the
 9 student enters seventh grade."

10 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Human Papillomavirus; Department of Education; Women's Caucus

Description:

Requires the Department of Education to disseminate information, approved by the Department of Health, about human papillomavirus to the parents of students entering sixth grade.

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