
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS FOR JUVENILES INVOLVED IN THE
JUSTICE SYSTEM.

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

1 PART I

2 SECTION 1. The purpose of this part is to provide the
3 department of education funding for the sole purpose of
4 establishing and maintaining a single alternative school in the
5 leeward school district of Oahu, which shall be an off-campus
6 alternative learning center modeled after the high core program
7 in the central school district of Oahu. Applicable expenses may
8 include utilities, curriculum, equipment, supplies and the
9 hiring of necessary staff.

10 Similar to the high core program, the alternative school in
11 the leeward school district of Oahu shall serve at-risk students
12 from all secondary schools in the district who are referred by
13 their home schools after all school level resources have been
14 utilized. The alternative school shall offer a variety of
15 programs to meet the particular needs of its students, including
16 but not limited to full-time, before-school, after-school, and



1 twilight school programs. Alternative school participants shall
2 be identified by one or more of the following criteria:

3 (1) Ten or more unauthorized absences (current or previous
4 quarter);

5 (2) Academic failure in two or more courses (current or
6 previous quarter);

7 (3) Three or more disciplinary referrals; Chapter 19
8 disciplinary referrals for A, B, C, and D offenses;

9 (4) One or more grade levels behind or retention (from
10 kindergarten to the student's current grade level)

11 (5) Adjudicated involvement with the juvenile justice
12 system (current status); or

13 (6) Other at-risk factors as determined by the home
14 school.

15 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
17 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for a
18 grant-in-aid to the department of education, to establish and
19 maintain an alternative school in the leeward school district of
20 Oahu, to provide ongoing education to juveniles involved in the



1 justice system or at high risk of involvement in the justice
2 system.

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

5 PART II

6 SECTION 3. The purpose of this part is to provide the
7 department of education funding for the sole purpose of
8 establishing and maintaining a single alternative school in the
9 Honolulu school district of Oahu, which shall be an off-campus
10 alternative learning center modeled after the high core program
11 in the central school district of Oahu. Applicable expenses may
12 include utilities, curriculum, equipment, supplies and the
13 hiring of necessary staff.

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5 PART III

6 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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INTRODUCED BY: 
BY REQUEST

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H.B. NO. 1666

Report Title:

Honolulu Prosecuting Attorney Package; Appropriations;
Department of Education; Alternative Schools

Description:

Appropriates funds to the department of education for two alternative schools to provide ongoing education to juveniles involved in the justice system or at risk of involvement in the justice system.

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