
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that improving our
2 schools begins by setting a goal and having a vision. The
3 department of education strategic plan sets goals to increase
4 student engagement, student empowerment, and support for its
5 employees. Often a vision can stem from observations of best
6 practices adopted in other states. Examples of best practices
7 include operations that emphasize peer-to-peer learning and
8 teacher-personnel engagement.

9 The legislature further finds that Massachusetts is making
10 notable advances in education, as evidenced by its
11 internationally competitive assessment results, educational
12 practices, and student learning outcomes. Massachusetts
13 established a collaborative planning and expanded learning time
14 initiative geared toward better supporting the growth of its
15 teachers and students. The Massachusetts public school system
16 is similar to the public school system in Hawaii.



1 The purpose of this Act is to establish a working group to
2 consider and develop best practices for collaboration planning
3 and expanded learning time in Hawaii's public schools.

4 SECTION 2. (a) There is established a working group
5 within the department of education for administrative purposes
6 to consider and develop best practices for collaborative
7 planning and expanded learning time in public schools.

8 (b) The working group shall consider the following:

9 (1) Individual teacher preparation time to allow teachers
10 to adequately prepare for instruction the following
11 day;

12 (2) Collaborative teacher preparation time to allow
13 opportunities for like-grade teachers to facilitate
14 conversation amongst each other regarding effective
15 pedagogy in the classrooms to create high-quality
16 lesson plans;

17 (3) Teachers to, at the start of each school day or prior
18 to the conclusion of each school day, work with
19 students who are struggling with any lesson taught
20 earlier that day or the preceding day; and

21 (4) Any other issue the working group may deem necessary.



- 1 (c) The working group shall consist of the following
2 members:
- 3 (1) Chair of the house of representatives committee on
4 lower and higher education, or the chair's designee,
5 to serve as co-chair;
- 6 (2) Chair of the senate committee on education, or the
7 chair's designee, to serve as co-chair;
- 8 (3) The superintendent of education, or the
9 superintendent's designee;
- 10 (4) A department of education principal;
- 11 (5) A department of education teacher;
- 12 (6) A representative from the Hawaii State Teachers
13 Association;
- 14 (7) A representative from the Hawaii Government Employees
15 Association; and
- 16 (8) Other members as the group may deem necessary.
- 17 (d) The department of education shall be responsible for
18 the administrative responsibilities of the working group,
19 including but not limited to the posting of public notices,
20 agendas, minutes, organizing meetings, and reporting on the
21 outcome and recommendations of the working group.



1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Working Group; Best Practices; Department of Education

Description:

Establishes a working group to consider and develop best practices for collaborative planning and expanded learning time in public schools. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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