
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 collaborative 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 regarding effective pedagogy in the
15 classrooms to create high-quality lesson plans;

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

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



- 1 (c) The working group shall comprise 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 who shall serve as co-chair;
- 6 (2) Chair of the senate committee on education, or the
7 chair's designee, who shall 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, who shall be invited to be a member of
14 the working group by the speaker of the state house of
15 representatives;
- 16 (7) A representative from the Hawaii Government Employees
17 Association, who shall be invited to be a member of
18 the working group by the president of the state
19 senate; and
- 20 (8) Other members as the group may deem necessary.



1 (d) The department of education shall be responsible for
2 the administrative responsibilities of the working group,
3 including but not limited to the posting of public notices,
4 agendas, minutes, organizing meetings, and reporting on the
5 outcome and recommendations of the working group.

6 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. (SD2)

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