
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 the school
2 facilities authority carries out an important mission to ensure
3 the development, planning, and construction of all public
4 schools in the State. By ensuring that each public school's
5 facilities provide students, educators, and communities with
6 high quality and healthy learning environments, the school
7 facilities authority actively supports public education.
8 However, for the school facilities authority to fulfill its
9 mission to support public education in the State, the school
10 facilities authority requires effective leadership.

11 The legislature further finds that other agencies
12 administratively attached to the department of education, such
13 as the executive office on early learning, the charter school
14 commission, and the libraries, require their respective boards
15 to appoint their executive director. However, the school
16 facilities authority executive director is appointed by the
17 governor, with the advice and consent of the senate. As a



1 result, the school facilities authority is not consistent with
2 other similar agencies. To promote uniformity, the school
3 facilities authority executive director should be appointed by
4 the members of the authority.

5 Therefore, the purpose of this Act is to authorize the
6 school facilities authority to appoint its executive director
7 and evaluate their performance annually.

8 SECTION 2. Section 302A-1702, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

10 "(b) The authority shall ~~[employ]~~ appoint an executive
11 director exempt from chapters 76 and 89. ~~[The governor shall~~
12 ~~appoint the executive director in the manner prescribed in~~
13 ~~section 26-34; provided that the executive director's term shall~~
14 ~~be for six years, which shall commence on the day the senate~~
15 ~~advises and consents to the executive director's nomination and~~
16 ~~the executive director shall not be limited in the number of~~
17 ~~terms served. If a vacancy occurs during a term, the governor~~
18 ~~shall appoint an interim executive director whose appointment~~
19 ~~shall expire if the senate does not advise and consent to the~~
20 ~~nomination of an executive director at the next regular session~~
21 ~~of the legislature after the vacancy occurs.] The authority~~



1 shall evaluate the executive director on an annual basis. The
2 salary of the executive director shall be set by the school
3 facilities board and the executive director shall be included in
4 any benefit program generally applicable to the officers and
5 employees of the State."

6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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



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Report Title:

School Facilities Authority; Executive Director; Appointment

Description:

Authorizes the School Facilities Authority to appoint an Executive Director and evaluate their performance annually.
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