
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STUDENT INSTRUCTIONAL HOURS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 302A-251, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "~~§302A-251 School year~~~~[; student hours.]~~; days. (a)

4 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, ~~[beginning with~~
5 ~~the 2011-2013 school years,~~] all public schools, excluding
6 charter schools and multi-track public schools, shall implement
7 a school year of one hundred eighty days, excluding professional
8 development days and other non-instructional days negotiated
9 pursuant to chapter 89.

10 ~~[(b) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary:~~

11 ~~(1) For the 2011-2012 school year, fifty per cent of all~~
12 ~~public elementary schools in the State, excluding~~
13 ~~charter schools and multi-track public schools, shall~~
14 ~~implement a school year that includes nine hundred~~
15 ~~fifteen student hours; and~~

16 ~~(2) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, all public~~
17 ~~elementary schools in the State, excluding charter~~



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1 ~~schools and multi-track public schools, shall~~
2 ~~implement a school year that includes nine hundred~~
3 ~~fifteen student hours.~~

4 ~~(c) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for the~~
5 ~~2015-2016 school year, all public secondary schools, excluding~~
6 ~~charter schools and multi-track public schools, shall implement~~
7 ~~a school year that includes nine hundred ninety student hours.~~

8 ~~(d) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary,~~
9 ~~beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, all public schools,~~
10 ~~excluding charter schools and multi-track public schools, shall~~
11 ~~implement a school year of one hundred eighty days, excluding~~
12 ~~professional development days and other non-instructional days~~
13 ~~negotiated pursuant to chapter 89, that shall include one~~
14 ~~thousand eighty student hours for both elementary and secondary~~
15 ~~school grades.~~

16 ~~(e)]~~ (b) The board, in its discretion, may grant a waiver
17 to any individual school subject to the [~~student hours or one~~
18 ~~hundred eighty day school year]~~ requirements in this section.
19 The board shall adopt policies and procedures to grant a waiver
20 under this subsection.



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1 ~~[(f) For purposes of this section, "student hours" shall~~
2 ~~be inclusive of the full school day in alignment with the~~
3 ~~State's general learner outcomes.~~

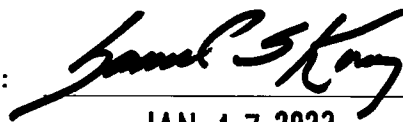
4 ~~(g) The department of education, with the board of~~
5 ~~education and office of the governor, and in consultation with~~
6 ~~representatives of the affected collective bargaining units,~~
7 ~~shall submit to the legislature, no later than twenty days prior~~
8 ~~to the convening of the regular sessions of 2013, 2014, 2015,~~
9 ~~and 2016, a report on its progress and efforts to meet the~~
10 ~~requirements of subsections (a), (b), (c), and (d).]~~"

11 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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Report Title:

DOE; School Hours; Instruction; Students

Description:

Repeals the mandatory minimum number of student instructional hours for Department of Education public schools.

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