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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that youth participating  
2 in educational and recreational activities have the right to be  
3 free from bullying. Bullying, and the related problems of  
4 harassment and retaliation, inhibit a young person's ability to  
5 learn and an educational or recreational activity provider's  
6 ability to teach students in a safe environment. In contrast, a  
7 safe and civil environment helps youth to learn and thrive.

8           The legislature further finds that although students are  
9 protected by school staff while on school grounds and in other  
10 areas within a school's jurisdiction, many students are still  
11 being bullied and assaulted by other students off school grounds  
12 during non-school hours or outside of school sanctioned  
13 activities. Additionally, there are instances of vandalism and  
14 theft being conducted by students off campus. By expanding a  
15 school's jurisdiction to areas located a quarter-mile radius  
16 from its campus, school administrators and staff will be able to  
17 intervene and discipline students for actions conducted against



1 other students in situations that would have previously occurred  
2 outside their jurisdiction.

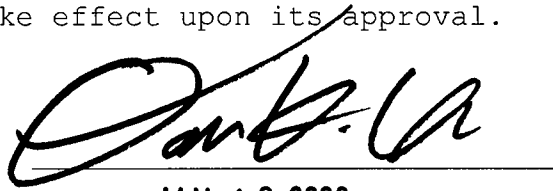
3 The purpose of this Act is to require the board of  
4 education to adopt rules to expand the jurisdiction of all  
5 public schools under the purview of the department of education  
6 to include a quarter-mile radius surrounding each public school.

7 SECTION 2. No later than \_\_\_\_\_, the board of education  
8 shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised  
9 Statutes, to expand the jurisdiction of all public schools under  
10 the purview of the department of education to include a quarter-  
11 mile radius surrounding each public school.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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# H.B. NO. 281

**Report Title:**

Board of Education; Public Schools; Jurisdiction

**Description:**

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