

A Bill for an Act Relating to Acoustic Noise Control of Existing School Facilities and New School Facilities To Be Constructed in Areas Affected by Aircraft, Traffic, and Other Noise.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Purpose and Findings. The purpose of this bill is to provide for acoustic noise control and air conditioning of existing classrooms, libraries, other educational facilities, as well as new school facilities to be built, in areas where aircraft, traffic, and other noise impede the educational process. In order for effective communication and learning to take place there must exist an acceptable acoustical environment. However, certain schools are situated in areas where acoustic noise has reached, or can reasonably be expected to reach, levels where it interferes with effective classroom instruction.

SECTION 2. Chapter 103, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“Sec. 103- Noise control at School Facilities. The department of education shall plan for and request appropriations necessary to implement acoustic noise control and air conditioning of existing and new school facilities in areas affected by aircraft, traffic, and other noise. The department of education shall develop criteria for deciding whether acoustic noise control and air conditioning of existing and new school facilities are required for effective classroom instruction. In all cases where acoustic treatment of school facilities is planned, the department of education shall utilize the services of individuals qualified by training and experience to recommend appropriate noise control procedures and components. Acoustic noise control and air conditioning shall be given equal weight as all other factors in the criteria used by the department of education in setting priorities for school construction and renovations.”

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SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes may exclude the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1970.
(Approved June 22, 1970.)

* Edited accordingly