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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CIVIL DEFENSE.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that emergency  
2 management is one of the most important functions of state  
3 government in the protection of lives and property against  
4 disasters. Every available minute is needed to assess  
5 potentially dangerous situations and the State must be in a  
6 position to coordinate warnings and actions to protect lives and  
7 property. Therefore, it is the intent of the legislature to  
8 expand and improve Hawaii's emergency management operations by  
9 supporting the construction of a new state emergency operating  
10 center. The around the clock warning capability that the state  
11 emergency operations center can provide should be placed in a  
12 technologically advanced facility that is capable of  
13 accommodating appropriate public and private emergency response  
14 organizations with requisite communications and information  
15 management systems.



1 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of  
2 general obligation bonds for the planning, design, and  
3 construction of a new state emergency operating center.

4 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue  
5 general obligations bonds in the sum of \$40,000,000, or so much  
6 thereof as may be necessary, and the same sum or so much thereof  
7 as may be necessary, is appropriated for fiscal year 2007-2008,  
8 for the planning, design, and construction of a new state  
9 emergency operating center.

10 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
11 accounting and general services for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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**Report Title:**

Civil Defense; State Emergency Operating Center; General  
Obligation Bonds

**Description:**

Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds for the  
planning and construction of a new state emergency operating  
center.

