

JAN 28 2009

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LEGISLATIVE BROADCAST PROGRAM.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the legislative
2 broadcast program established in section 21G-3, Hawaii Revised
3 Statutes, has generally been effective in allowing citizens
4 access to its proceedings on cable public access channels. The
5 legislature further finds that some legislative proceedings with
6 significant public impact and interest have not been broadcast
7 at the request of a committee chair.

8 The purpose of this Act is to require the legislative
9 broadcast program to select legislative proceedings to be
10 broadcast based on criteria related to matters of public
11 interest.

12 SECTION 2. Section 21G-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

14 "(b) The legislative broadcast program shall be supervised
15 by the joint legislative access committee established pursuant
16 to section 21D-6[-]; provided that the criteria for selecting



1 the proceedings to be broadcast shall be based on matters of
2 public interest."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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

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

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Report Title:

Legislative Broadcast Program; Public Interest

Description:

Establishes that criteria for selecting proceedings to be broadcast by the legislative broadcast program shall be based on matters of public interest.

