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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FISCAL NOTES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by

2 adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read

3 as follows:

4 "**§ -A Fiscal notes on legislative bills.** (a) Beginning

5 with the 2007 regular session of the legislature, when a bill is

6 reported from the final committee to which the bill has been

7 referred prior to passage on third reading in either house of

8 the legislature, there shall be attached to the bill a fiscal

9 note as provided in subsection (b), or, if the bill has no

10 fiscal impact, a statement to that effect.

11 (b) Fiscal notes shall be prepared in conformity with the

12 requirements of this section by the committee specified in

13 subsection (a), which may request the assistance of the

14 legislative analyst, as well as any affected state departments

15 or agencies in preparing the fiscal note.

16 (c) The fiscal note shall contain the following

17 information:

1   (1)   The fiscal impact on existing and new programs or

2   activities; provided that the fiscal note shall

3   reflect the estimated cost of the program or activity

4   that is stated in the text of the bill, even if that

5   cost estimate differs from the amount actually being

6   appropriated for that program or activity in the bill

7   at that time;

8   (2)   A fiscal impact projection for the current fiscal year

9   and for the five succeeding fiscal years, including an

10   estimate of the amount of the appropriation increase

11   or decrease that would result from enactment of the

12   bill for the current fiscal year and five succeeding

13   fiscal years;

14   (3)   The source of funds expected to be utilized by general

15   fund source, federal fund source, or other identified

16   source;

17   (4)   The number of new positions that may be required,

18   identified as full-time, part-time, or temporary;

19   (5)   An analysis of how the figures in the fiscal note were

20   derived;

21   (6)   Any additional information that may be necessary to

22   explain the fiscal note; and

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1   (7)   The date the fiscal note was prepared; the name of the

2   committee, agency, and persons that prepared the

3   fiscal note; and the state agency, program, or

4   subprogram affected."

5   SECTION 2.   There is appropriated out of the general

6   revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $309,500, or so much

7   thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010, for the

8   operations of the legislative analyst.

9   The sums appropriated shall be expended by the office of

10   the legislative analyst for the purposes of this Act.

11   SECTION 3.   New statutory material is underscored.

12   SECTION 4.   This Act shall take effect upon its approval;

13   provided that section 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

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Report Title:
Fiscal Notes on Legislative Bills

Description:
Requires preparation of a fiscal note for any bill reported from the final committee to which the bill has been referred prior to passage on third reading in either house of the legislature, to or, if no fiscal impact, a statement to that effect. Specifies fiscal note requirements. Appropriates funds.