
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE FIRE COUNCIL.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to allow the state
2 fire council to establish two staff positions to carry out its
3 statutory duties and responsibilities, including adopting a
4 state fire code, applying for and administering state fire-
5 related grants, administering the reduced ignition propensity
6 cigarette program mandated under chapter 132C, Hawaii Revised
7 Statutes, coordinating statewide fire and life safety training
8 and education, inspecting state buildings and facilities, and
9 collecting data. Additionally, the state fire council advises
10 the governor and the legislature on fire and life safety issues,
11 implements statewide mutual aid agreements, prescribes standard
12 procedures and forms relating to inspections, investigations,
13 and reporting of fires, and is a voting member of the state
14 building code council.

15 SECTION 2. Section 132-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 1. By amending the title to read:



1 "§132-16 State fire council; composition; administrative
2 staff; functions."

3 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:

4 "(c) The state fire council may also:

5 (1) Appoint advisory committees comprised of
6 representatives from each county fire department to
7 assist in drafting the state fire code and
8 coordinating statewide training, data collection, and
9 contingency planning needs for firefighters; ~~and~~

10 (2) Advise and assist the county fire departments where
11 appropriate ~~[, may]~~; prescribe standard procedures and
12 forms relating to inspections, investigations, and
13 reporting of fires ~~[, may]~~; approve plans for
14 cooperation among the county fire departments ~~[,]~~; and
15 ~~[may]~~ advise the governor and the legislature with
16 respect to fire prevention and protection, life
17 safety, and any other functions or activities for
18 which the various county fire departments are
19 generally responsible ~~[,]~~; and

20 (3) Employ an administrator and administrative assistant,
21 exempt from chapters 76 and 89, at the discretion of
22 the state fire council. The administrator shall have



1 full power to administer the affairs of the council,
2 subject to the direction and approval of the council.
3 The state fire council shall determine the
4 compensation for the administrator and the
5 administrative assistant. The administrator and
6 administrative assistant shall be responsible for:
7 (A) Daily operations of the state fire council;
8 (B) Administering the adoption of the state fire
9 code;
10 (C) Applying for and expending federal grants and
11 assistance for fire related projects;
12 (D) Administering the reduced ignition propensity
13 cigarette program;
14 (E) Coordinating statewide fire and life safety
15 training, education, and data collection; and
16 (F) Other related duties as directed by the council;
17 provided that the budgetary requirements for conducting meetings
18 and other related functions of the state fire council, including
19 the salaries of the administrator and administrative assistant,
20 shall be included in the budget of the department of labor and
21 industrial relations."



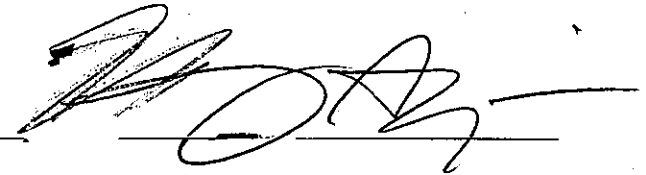

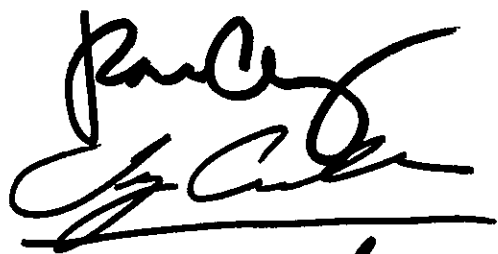

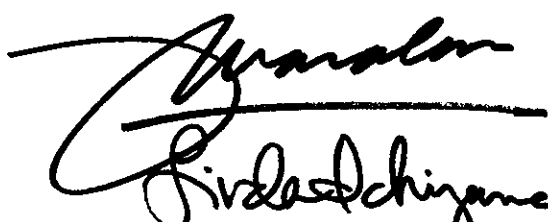
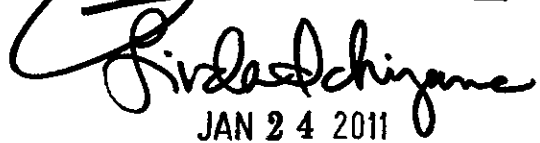
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1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Public Safety; State Fire Council; Administrative Staff

Description:

Establishes 2 staff positions for the state fire council to accomplish its statutory duties and responsibilities. Requires the positions to be funded by the annual budgets of the department of labor and industrial relations.

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