

NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

May 31, 2013

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on May 31, 2013, the following bill was signed into law:

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RELATING TO PUBLIC ARCHIVES **ACT 088 (13)**

NEIL ABERCROMBIE Governor, State of Hawaii

ACT 088

THE SENATE TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013 STATE OF HAWAII S.B. NO. 997 S.D. 2 H.D. 2 C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC ARCHIVES.

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

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1	SECTION 1. Chapter 94, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2	by adding three new sections to be appropriately designated and
3	to read as follows:
4	"§94- Definitions. For the purposes of this chapter,
5	unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
6	"Disposition" means actions resulting in the transfer to
7	the state archives or destruction of records as documented in
8	the records retention and disposition schedule or other
9	authority.
10	"Enduring value" means the continued significance of
11	records determined by their legal, fiscal, administrative, or
12	historical value that warrants their preservation by the state
13	archives.
14	"Preservation" means a series of managed activities
15	necessary to protect machine readable records from loss,
16	alteration, deterioration, and technological obsolescence to
17	ensure an accurate rendering of those records in perpetuity in
18	an environment independent from that which produced them.
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1	"Rec	ords" means information with fixed form and content,
2	regardles	s of physical form or characteristics, created or
3	received	in the course of government activity and set aside as
4	evidence (of that activity. In databases, "records" mean a
5	collection	n of related data fields.
6	"Rec	ords retention and disposition schedule" means a
7	records d	isposition authorization (form SA-1) or general records
8	schedule	issued by the state comptroller, pursuant to section
9	94-3.	
10	<u>§94-</u>	The state archivist. The department of accounting
11	and gener	al services shall fulfill its responsibilities for the
12	public ar	chives through the state archivist. The state
13	archivist	shall:
14	(1)	Administer the state archives, records management, and
15		digital archives programs and facilities;
16	(2)	Advise and assist state agencies in the preparation of
17		retention and disposition schedules for government
18		records; and provide records management training and
19		technical assistance services to agencies;
20	(3)	Issue guidelines and standards, including those
21		applicable to computer hardware and software, for the
22		preservation of government records maintained by state

1		record keeping systems, including digital imaging
2		processes for scanning of records and technology for
3		creating and storing electronic records;
4	(4)	Adopt rules as may be necessary to effectuate the
5		responsibilities established under paragraph (1), and
6		for the acquisition, maintenance, access, and
7		preservation of government records, as well as the use
8		of records or other materials, in the custody of the
9		state archives; and
10	(5)	Request and obtain an electronic copy of any
11	·	government record of enduring value currently in
12		digital format for the digital archives to ensure the
13		long-term preservation of the record.
14	<u>§94-</u>	State archives preservation and long-term access
15	special f	und; state archives preservation fee. (a) There shall
16	be establ	ished in the state treasury the state archives
17	preservat	ion and long-term access special fund for the
18	preservat	ion of and long-term access to government records.
19	(b)	All revenues collected from fees for services provided
20	by the st	ate archives shall be deposited in the state archives
21	preservat	ion and long-term access special fund and be expended
22	by the co	mptroller to carry out the purposes of this section,
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- 1 including funding for staff positions and for administrative and
- 2 operational costs of the program. All interest earned or
- 3 accrued on moneys deposited in the fund shall become part of the
- 4 fund.
- 5 (c) In addition to any other fee authorized by law, a
- 6 state archives preservation fee of \$1 shall be assessed for each
- 7 document that is filed or registered by members of the public
- 8 with a governmental entity and listed on an authorized records
- 9 retention and disposition schedule as permanent. The
- 10 preservation fee shall be collected and deposited in the state
- 11 archives preservation and long-term access special fund and used
- 12 to preserve and keep accessible electronic records of such
- 13 documents in a useable state for the good of the public."
- 14 SECTION 2. Section 94-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 15 amended to read as follows:
- 16 "\$94-1 Duties of department. The department of accounting
- 17 and general services shall collect all public archives;
- 18 preserve, arrange, [classify,] describe, and inventory the same;
- 19 provide for their safekeeping; and compile and furnish
- 20 information concerning them. The department may adopt and use a
- 21 seal and may adopt, amend, or revise from time to time such

- 1 rules and regulations as it may consider expedient for the conduct of its business." 2 SECTION 3. Section 94-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 3 4 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 5 Each public officer, except public officers of the judiciary and the legislative branch of government, having the 6 7 care and custody of any government records shall submit to the 8 state comptroller a list of records for [disposal,] disposition 9 authorization, which shall include the name of the office, 10 department, or bureau, the [subject] description of the records 11 for disposal [and], the inclusive dates of the records [-], and 12 the retention period. The comptroller shall determine the 13 disposition of the records; stating whether the records should be retained by the office, department, or bureau; be transferred 14 15 to the [public] state archives, [the University of Hawaii, the Hawaiian Historical Society, or other agency; or be destroyed. 16 **17** The comptroller shall have full power of disposal of all records 18 submitted for this purpose. The [records] disposition 19 authorization of all records [disposed of], including lists 20 submitted by the public officers, and the action taken by the 21 comptroller, shall be kept on proper forms, specified by the 22 comptroller, one copy of which shall be filed in the office,
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- 1 department, or bureau where the records originated, one copy
- 2 shall be filed in the office of the attorney general, and the
- 3 original shall be filed in the [public] state archives."
- 4 SECTION 4. Section 94-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 "\$94-4 Certificate to same. The comptroller of the State
- 7 and the state archivist or other officer performing the duties
- 8 of state archivist or custodian of the [public] state archives
- 9 are severally authorized and empowered to certify, as true and
- 10 correct, copies or reproductions of any of the [books,]
- 11 documents, papers, writings, or other government records, or
- 12 excerpts therefrom in their custody. Fees for copying,
- 13 certification, and other services shall be prescribed by the
- 14 comptroller in direct relation to the cost of the services.
- 15 The above fees shall not be charged where the work involved
- 16 is required by any department or branch of the federal, state,
- 17 or county governments."
- 18 SECTION 5. Section 94-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 19 repealed.
- 20 ["\footnotes 94-2 Sale of duplicate government publications. The
- 21 department of accounting and general services may determine and
- 22 from time to time revise prices to be charged and collected by

1	the department for the sale of duplicate publications in its
2	possession. The funds realized under this section shall be paid
3	into the treasury of the State as general fund realizations."]
4	SECTION 6. Section 94-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5	repealed.
6	["§94-6 Studies. Within ten days following the initiation
7	of any study to be done on a contractual basis by the State or
8	one of its political subdivisions, or any agency thereof, the
9	initiating department or agency shall notify the state archivist
10	of the initiation of the study in the form of notice prescribed
11	by the archivist.
12	The archivist shall maintain a complete and current index
13	of all studies so initiated and shall, at least semi-annually
14	send current copies of this index to the governor, the mayors of
15	the respective counties, the legislative reference bureau and
16	the legislative auditor.
17	The archivist may at any time request that a copy of any
18	study or portion of a study be deposited with the archives and
19	this request shall be complied with by the department or agency
20	initiating the study.
21	This section shall apply to all studies of whatever nature;
22	provided, however, that to the extent that the governor or mayor
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- 1 of any county initiating a study determines that compliance with
- 2 any portion of this section would be contrary to the public
- 3 interest they may waive compliance with respect to any study
- 4 initiated under their jurisdiction."]
- 5 SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 7 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

APPROVED this

3 1 day of

MAY

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII