A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.

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

SECTION 1. Protecting and securing the State of 'Hawaii's 1 2 information and data is a top concern in today's cyber world. The State must protect its technology from enemies both outside 3 4 and within the State. To ensure the security of state 5 government information and protect the data communications 6 infrastructure from unauthorized uses, intrusions, or other 7 security threats, the chief information officer should be given 8 the responsibility and authority to direct the development, 9 adoption, and implementation of policies, procedures, and 10 standards and training personnel to minimize vulnerability to 11 threats, regularly assess security risks, determine appropriate 12 security measures, and perform security audits of government 13 information systems and data communications infrastructures. 14 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the chief 15 information officer to conduct or cause to be conducted security 16 audits, which may include reviews of physical security

practices, of all executive branch agencies regarding the

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- 1 protection of government databases and data communications and
- 2 to direct remedial actions as necessary.
- 3 SECTION 2. Chapter 27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 4 by adding a new section to part VII, to be appropriately
- 5 designated and to read as follows:
- 6 "\$27- Additional duties of the chief information
- 7 officer relating to security of government information. (a)
- 8 The chief information officer shall provide for periodic
- 9 security audits of all executive branch departments and agencies
- 10 regarding the protection of government databases and data
- 11 communications.
- 12 (b) Security audits may include on-site audits as well as
- 13 reviews of all written security procedures and documented
- 14 practices. The chief information officer may contract with a
- 15 private firm or firms that specialize in conducting security
- 16 audits. All executive branch departments, agencies, boards, or
- 17 commissions subject to the security audits authorized by this
- 18 section shall fully cooperate with the entity designated to
- 19 perform the audit. The chief information officer may direct
- 20 specific remedial actions to mitigate findings of insufficient
- 21 administrative, technical, and physical controls necessary to

- 1 protect state government information or data communication
- 2 infrastructures.
- 3 (c) This section shall not infringe upon responsibilities
- 4 assigned to the comptroller or the auditor or upon other
- 5 statutory requirements."
- 6 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 7 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

Chief Information Officer; Information Technology; Security

Description:

Authorizes the Chief Information to conduct or cause to be conducted security audits, which may include reviews of physical security practices, of all executive branch agencies regarding the protection of government databases and data communications and to direct remedial actions as necessary. Effective 07/01/2050. (SD2)

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