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S.B. NO. 954

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2 by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and to read
3 as follows:

4 **"PART . HEARINGS ON REPORTS**

5 **§21- Procedures for consideration of reports. (a)**

6 Reports to the legislature of studies and audits conducted by:

7 (1) The executive departments and agencies, including the
8 Hawaii health systems corporation;

9 (2) The auditor;

10 (3) The judiciary;

11 (4) The legislative reference bureau; or

12 (5) The office of Hawaiian affairs,

13 that are requested by a concurrent resolution adopted by the
14 legislature or required by law, including budget measures, shall
15 be submitted, at a minimum, to the clerk of each house, to the
16 president of the senate and speaker of the house of
17 representatives, the chair of the applicable subject matter

18 committee of each chamber, and the legislative reference bureau



1 library. Submission of reports under this subsection shall also
2 comply with the requirements of section 93-16.

3 (b) The respective chairs of the committees to whom a
4 report is submitted under subsection (a) shall conduct a public
5 hearing or informational briefing on the report during the
6 legislative session or during the legislative interim in which
7 the report is submitted within one year of receipt. Waivers for
8 a public hearing or briefing may be granted by the president of
9 the senate or the speaker of the house of representatives, as
10 appropriate; provided that the reasons for granting any waiver
11 shall be posted on the legislature's website and publicly
12 noticed at the capitol.

13 §21- Applicability; reports excluded. This part shall
14 not apply to annual reports or reports of a routine nature such
15 as those prepared by executive departments, boards, or agencies;
16 provided that the chair of any committee of the legislature
17 shall not be precluded from holding a public hearing or
18 informational briefing on any report."

19 SECTION 2. Chapter 21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
20 by designating sections 21-1 to 21-19 as follows:

21 "PART I. INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES"



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1 SECTION 3. Sections 21-1, 21-2, 21-6, 21-13, 21-15, and
2 21-19, Hawaii Revised Statutes, are amended by substituting the
3 word "part" wherever the word "chapter" appears, as the context
4 requires.

5 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Legislative Hearings; Studies and Reports

Description:

Requires any report of a study or an audit made by an executive department or agency, including the Hawaii health systems corporation, and by the legislative reference bureau, auditor, judiciary, or office of Hawaiian affairs, to be submitted to the clerk of each house, senate president, speaker of the house, chairs of the appropriate subject matter committee of each house, and the legislative reference bureau library. Requires a public hearing or informational briefing, except if waived by the senate president or speaker of the house of representatives. Excludes certain routine reports.

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