
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ONE CALL CENTER.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 269E-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

3 "(e) Civil penalties collected pursuant to this chapter
4 [~~shall~~] may be used by the commission to educate the operating
5 and excavating community in Hawaii [~~and to reduce the center's~~
6 ~~operating costs~~]."

7 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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11 INTRODUCED BY  _____

12 BY REQUEST

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H.B. NO. 2261

Report Title:

One Call Center; Public Utilities Commission

Description:

Allows for more flexible use of the State's One Call Center funding collected from civil penalties by amending section 269E-6(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Budget and Finance

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ONE CALL CENTER.

PURPOSE: To allow for more flexible use of the State's One Call Center ("Center") funding collected from civil penalties.

MEANS: Amend section 269E-6(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

JUSTIFICATION: This housekeeping measure will amend the requirement that funds collected from Center-associated civil penalties "shall be used by the commission to educate the operating and excavating community in Hawaii and to reduce the center's operating costs." The contract with the operator of the Center is for a fixed price. Separately tracking these fees and directing them specifically to meet the current section 269E-6(e) requirement unnecessarily increases the administrative burden in administering the Center with no commensurate program benefit.

Impact on the public: The impact of this change on the public would be positive, if any. Allowing flexibility in the use of the penalties will reduce the administrative burden associated with tracking and accounting for the use of these fees in line with the strictures of section 269E-6(e).

Impact on the department and other agencies: Minimal impact is expected on the Public Utilities Commission, the Department of Budget and Finance, or other agencies within the administration.

New Day Plan Association: This measure supports the fundamental goal of continually improving the functions of government so

that the public receives full value. Although a small part of the overall governance of the State, this measure is a no-cost means of helping make government operate more efficiently.

GENERAL FUNDS: None.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM
DESIGNATION: BUF 901.

OTHER AFFECTED
AGENCIES: None.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.