
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INFORMATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that current technologies
2 can facilitate increased transparency about governmental
3 activities by allowing the general public to access state
4 financial information online. The purpose of this Act is to
5 require the department of accounting and general services to
6 develop and post periodically updated information on the
7 Internet that shows:

- 8 (1) Revenues, expenditures, and cash on hand in sufficient
9 detail to allow an accurate assessment of the fiscal
10 condition and the performance of the State;
11 (2) Details regarding the progression of capital
12 improvement projects toward completion.

13 SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by
14 adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read
15 as follows:

16 "§ - Online reporting; periodic updates. (a) The
17 department of accounting and general services, in accordance
18 with this section, shall establish, implement, and maintain a



1 single searchable website, accessible by the public at no cost
2 to users.

3 (b) One destination within the website shall contain the
4 following information, which shall, at a minimum, be updated on
5 a quarterly basis:

6 (1) A chart of accounts for all general funds, special
7 funds, federal funds, interdepartmental transfers,
8 revolving funds, and other funds into which moneys are
9 appropriated for the operating budget, incomplete
10 capital improvement projects, and capital improvement
11 projects completed less than five years prior to the
12 date of the website's most recent update;

13 (2) The amounts and dates of appropriations, allocations,
14 expenditures, lapses, transfers of funds, means of
15 financing, and Acts under which the amounts were
16 appropriated; and

17 (3) A summary of income received, expenditures made,
18 balances remaining, costs incurred but not yet
19 expended, cash on hand, and any related information
20 that may assist the legislature and members of the
21 public in understanding the fiscal condition of the
22 State.



1 (c) A destination within the website that is visually
2 distinguishable from the destination prescribed in subsection
3 (b) shall contain the following information, which shall, at a
4 minimum, be updated on a semiannual basis:

5 (1) A listing of all capital improvement projects required
6 to be listed pursuant to subsection (b)(1); and

7 (2) A listing of the following information for each
8 capital improvement project:

9 (A) The project title;

10 (B) The phase of the project;

11 (C) The status of the project;

12 (D) Reasons for any project delays, cancellations, or
13 holds;

14 (E) Procurement steps taken;

15 (F) Environmental issues encountered;

16 (G) Historic preservation issues encountered;

17 (H) The names of all consultants and contractors
18 associated with the project;

19 (I) Dates and amounts of all construction awards;

20 (J) Estimated and actual dates of construction;

21 (K) Estimated construction costs;

22 (L) The reasons why any funds lapsed; and



H.B. NO. 320

Report Title:

Online Financial Information; Capital Improvement Projects

Description:

Mandates the creation and maintenance of periodically updated information about state finances and capital improvement projects.

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