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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NAMES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the requirement to  
2 publish a notice of change of name in a newspaper of general  
3 circulation in the State is cost-prohibitive to many citizens,  
4 in contrast to providing notice through digital media.  
5 Affordable publishing of a notice of change of name now costs a  
6 petitioner in excess of \$200.

7           The purpose of this Act is to require the office of the  
8 lieutenant governor, with the assistance of the chief  
9 information officer, to develop and maintain a website to  
10 provide petitioners with an affordable option of posting notices  
11 of a name change on the website.

12           SECTION 2. Section 574-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
13 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

14           "(d) A notice of change of name signed by the lieutenant  
15 governor shall be published once in a newspaper of general  
16 circulation in the State as mentioned in the order for change of  
17 name, and the petitioner within sixty days of the signing of the  
18 notice of change of name shall deposit at the office of the



1 lieutenant governor an affidavit executed by an officer of the  
2 newspaper publishing the notice showing that the notice has been  
3 published therein. The affidavit shall have attached to it a  
4 clipping showing the notice as published. Failure to deposit  
5 the affidavit of publication as required shall void that  
6 petition for a change of name by that petitioner.

7 If the cost of publication in a newspaper would exceed the  
8 filing fee under subsection (c), the petitioner may instead post  
9 a notice of change of name on a website maintained by the  
10 lieutenant governor for such a purpose; provided that the  
11 petitioner shall first deposit at the office of the lieutenant  
12 governor within sixty days of the signing of the notice of  
13 change of name an official estimate issued by an officer or  
14 authorized employee of the newspaper attesting to the estimated  
15 cost of publication in the newspaper."

16 SECTION 3. The chief information officer shall assist the  
17 office of the lieutenant governor in developing and implementing  
18 a website for the posting of notices of change of name in  
19 accordance with section 2 of this Act that shall be in operation  
20 by January 1, 2015.

21 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general  
22 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$                      or so



1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and  
2 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
3 year 2014-2015 to develop and maintain a website for the posting  
4 of notices of change of name.

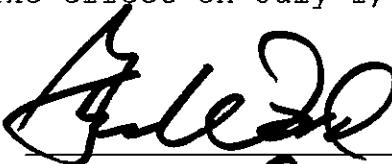

5 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the office of  
6 the lieutenant governor for the purposes of this Act.

7 SECTION 5. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

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# H.B. NO. 464

**Report Title:**

Name Change Notice; Lieutenant Governor; Website

**Description:**

Offers persons the option of posting notices of a name change on an internet website maintained by the lieutenant governor. Appropriates funds for the lieutenant governor, with the assistance of the chief information officer, to develop and maintain the website.

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