
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the University of
2 Hawaii system consists of ten separate campuses spread across
3 six of the Hawaiian islands. Under existing law, the president,
4 vice-presidents, assistant vice-presidents, chancellors, and
5 provosts of the University of Hawaii and its community colleges
6 of the University of Hawaii system must file annual financial
7 disclosure statements with the state ethics commission. These
8 statements are public records, available for inspection and
9 duplication.

10 The legislature also finds that the board of regents of the
11 University of Hawaii has exclusive jurisdiction over the
12 internal structure, management, and operation of the University
13 of Hawaii and therefore has a responsibility to the university
14 to properly and effectively administer the university's nine
15 hundred million dollar budget. Despite this responsibility,
16 members of the board of regents of the University of Hawaii are
17 not required by law to file an annual financial disclosure
18 statement with the state ethics commission.



1 The purpose of this Act is to require members of the board
2 of regents of the University of Hawaii to file an annual
3 financial disclosure statement to the state ethics commission.

4 SECTION 2. Section 84-17, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5 amended by amending subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

6 "(c) The following persons shall file annually with the
7 state ethics commission a disclosure of financial interests:

8 (1) The governor, the lieutenant governor, the members of
9 the legislature, and delegates to the constitutional
10 convention; provided that delegates to the
11 constitutional convention shall only be required to
12 file initial disclosures;

13 (2) The directors and their deputies, the division chiefs,
14 the executive directors and the executive secretaries
15 and their deputies, the purchasing agents and the
16 fiscal officers, regardless of the titles by which the
17 foregoing persons are designated, of every state
18 agency and department;

19 (3) The permanent employees of the legislature and its
20 service agencies, other than persons employed in
21 clerical, secretarial, or similar positions;



- 1 (4) The administrative director of the State, and the
2 assistants in the office of the governor and the
3 lieutenant governor, other than persons employed in
4 clerical, secretarial, or similar positions;
- 5 (5) The hearings officers of every state agency and
6 department;
- 7 (6) The members of the board of regents, the president,
8 the vice presidents, assistant vice presidents, the
9 chancellors, and the provosts of the University of
10 Hawaii and its community colleges;
- 11 (7) The superintendent, the deputy superintendent, the
12 assistant superintendents, the complex area
13 superintendents, the state librarian, and the deputy
14 state librarian of the department of education;
- 15 (8) The administrative director and the deputy director of
16 the courts;
- 17 (9) The members of every state board or commission whose
18 original terms of office are for periods exceeding one
19 year and whose functions are not solely advisory;
- 20 (10) Candidates for state elective offices, including
21 candidates for election to the constitutional



1 convention, provided that candidates shall only be
2 required to file initial disclosures; and

3 (11) The administrator and assistant administrator of the
4 office of Hawaiian affairs.

5 (d) The financial disclosure statements of the following
6 persons shall be public records and available for inspection and
7 duplication:

8 (1) The governor, the lieutenant governor, the members of
9 the legislature, candidates for and delegates to the
10 constitutional convention, the trustees of the office
11 of Hawaiian affairs, and candidates for state elective
12 offices;

13 (2) The directors of the state departments and their
14 deputies, regardless of the titles by which the
15 foregoing persons are designated; provided that with
16 respect to the department of the attorney general, the
17 foregoing shall apply only to the attorney general and
18 the first deputy attorney general;

19 (3) The administrative director of the State;

20 (4) The members of the board of regents, the president,
21 the vice presidents, the assistant vice presidents,



1 the chancellors, and the provosts of the University of
2 Hawaii;

3 (5) The members of the board of education and the
4 superintendent, the deputy superintendent, the state
5 librarian, and the deputy state librarian of the
6 department of education;

7 (6) The administrative director and the deputy director of
8 the courts; and

9 (7) The administrator and the assistant administrator of
10 the office of Hawaiian affairs."

11 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Description:

Requires the University of Hawaii Office of the Board of Regents to file annual disclosure statements to the state ethics commission.

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