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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATEWIDE ELECTED OFFICIALS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The intent of this Act is to ensure fairness to  
2 any neighbor island person who wishes to work in the position of  
3 lieutenant governor. The purpose of this Act is to provide an  
4 allowance for expenses for a lieutenant governor whose legal  
5 residence is on an island other than Oahu, which is to be  
6 separate from and in addition to the salary of the lieutenant  
7 governor.

8           SECTION 2. Section 26-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10           "**§26-1 Office of the lieutenant governor.** (a) Except as  
11 otherwise provided by law, the lieutenant governor is designated  
12 the secretary of state for intergovernmental relations and shall  
13 perform the duties and functions heretofore exercised by the  
14 secretary of Hawaii. The duties and functions shall include,  
15 but not be limited to, recordation of all legislative and  
16 gubernatorial acts, certification of state documents, and  
17 maintenance of an official file of rules adopted by state



1 departments as provided in chapter 91. The lieutenant governor  
2 may employ staff as necessary without regard to chapter 76.

3 (b) The lieutenant governor, with the approval of the  
4 governor, may designate some other officer of the government of  
5 the State to authenticate documents on behalf of the lieutenant  
6 governor during the lieutenant governor's temporary absence  
7 outside the State or during the lieutenant governor's illness  
8 whenever the documents require the signature of the lieutenant  
9 governor. The person shall affix the person's own signature to  
10 the document with the words, "for the lieutenant governor"  
11 following and the signature shall be deemed to satisfy the  
12 requirement of the lieutenant governor's signature on the  
13 document. The designation and approval shall be in writing and  
14 shall be filed in the office of the governor and a copy thereof,  
15 certified by the governor, shall be filed with the public  
16 archives. The person so designated shall serve without  
17 additional compensation and the lieutenant governor shall be  
18 responsible and liable on the lieutenant governor's official  
19 bond for all acts done by the person so designated in the  
20 performance of the duties on behalf of the lieutenant governor.

21 (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to  
22 authorize the person to exercise and discharge the powers and



1 duties of the office of the governor as provided by the first  
2 paragraph of Article V, section 4, of the Constitution of the  
3 State. The person shall not be authorized to exercise any  
4 powers whenever a successor to the lieutenant governor assumes  
5 the duties of the lieutenant governor pursuant to Article V,  
6 section 4, of the Constitution.

7 (d) In addition to the functions and duties provided by  
8 law, the lieutenant governor shall assume administrative  
9 responsibility for the office of information practices.

10 (e) The governor shall identify and direct other duties as  
11 necessary to the lieutenant governor.

12 (f) If the lieutenant governor is a resident of a voting  
13 district not located on Oahu, the lieutenant governor may  
14 receive an allowance to cover personal and incidental expenses  
15 incurred while the lieutenant governor is working on Oahu. The  
16 allowance authorized under this section shall be set at a single  
17 rate that shall:

18 (1) Not exceed the greater of the maximum allowance for  
19 such expenses payable to any public officer or  
20 employee of the federal government or the State; and

21 (2) Be reasonably calculated to cover the expenses  
22 specified in this section.



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1        (g) The allowance authorized under this section shall be  
2        in addition to and shall not supplant any portion of the salary  
3        of the lieutenant governor determined pursuant to section 26-51.  
4        The allowance shall be paid out of any available appropriation  
5        made by the legislature for expenses, other than the salary, of  
6        the lieutenant governor."

7        SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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**Report Title:**

Lieutenant Governor; Allowance for Expenses

**Description:**

Permits a lieutenant governor who is a resident of a voting district not located on Oahu to receive an allowance to cover personal and incidental expenses incurred while the lieutenant governor is working on Oahu, which allowance shall be separate from the lieutenant governor's salary.

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