
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the reporting of
2 comprehensive crime data is important to criminal justice
3 agencies, elected officials, crime prevention groups, and the
4 general public. The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform
5 Crime Reporting Program generates these reports and, in Hawaii,
6 the program is administered by the crime prevention and justice
7 assistance division's research and statistics branch of the
8 department of the attorney general. The attorney general's
9 primary sources of data are the county police departments, but
10 the counties have not always been able to provide the necessary
11 information in a timely manner. More than sixty-six per cent of
12 states mandate the reporting of crime statistics; Hawaii does
13 not. The United States Department of Justice is taking steps to
14 ensure timely and accurate crime reporting, and it is critical
15 that the State similarly ensures prompt and complete reporting.
16 The purpose of this Act is to assist the attorney general
17 in the reporting of critical criminal justice data and to



1 clarify the responsibilities of county police departments to
2 provide all necessary data in a timely manner.

3 SECTION 2. Chapter 846, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
5 and to read as follows:

6 "§846- Statistical crime reporting responsibility of
7 county chiefs of police and agencies. (a) The chiefs of police
8 of the counties of the State and agencies of state and county
9 governments having power of arrest shall provide to the attorney
10 general crime incident reports and any other information
11 regarding crimes committed within their respective jurisdictions
12 as necessary for the attorney general to operate a statewide
13 crime reporting program and to cooperate with the Federal Bureau
14 of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Program. The reports
15 shall be submitted to the attorney general in the manner, form,
16 and time schedule as the attorney general may prescribe.

17 The attorney general may audit the reporting entities to
18 determine the accuracy of the reports and other information
19 required by this subsection.

20 (b) A fine of \$100 for each day of noncompliance with the
21 requirements of this section shall be levied against:



1 (1) The county of a chief of police or a county agency
2 that fails to comply with the requirements of this
3 section; or

4 (2) The state agency that fails to comply with the
5 requirements of this section.

6 The attorney general shall enforce this penalty and deposit the
7 finances into the general fund."

8 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



Report Title:

Criminal Justice Data; Crime Reporting

Description:

Requires chiefs of police and state and county agencies that have the power of arrest to report crime incident reports and other crime information to the Attorney General. Establishes penalties for state and county agency noncompliance with the requirements. (HB2671 HD2)

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