
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EMOLUMENTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The offices of the governor and county mayors
2 are five of the most important public offices in the State. It
3 is essential that the holders of those offices:

4 (1) Devote their full time, attention, and energy to
5 serving the people of Hawaii to the best of their
6 abilities; and

7 (2) Avoid even the appearance of a potential conflict of
8 interest.

9 Part of this commitment to fulfilling their duties and to public
10 integrity involves not holding other employment or receiving
11 other emoluments while serving as the governor or a county
12 mayor. The legislature finds that this matter is one of
13 statewide concern and interest and is therefore a permissible
14 area of control reserved for the legislature.

15 SECTION 2. Chapter 78, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
16 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
17 read as follows:



1 "§78- Governor and county mayors; outside employment and
2 emoluments prohibited. (a) Beginning on the sixty-first
3 calendar day after election or appointment to office, it shall
4 be unlawful for:

5 (1) The governor; or

6 (2) The mayor of any county,

7 while holding that office, to maintain any other employment or
8 receive any emolument.

9 (b) As used in this section, "emolument" means any salary,
10 fee, payment, wage, earning, allowance, stipend, honorarium, or
11 reward; provided that "emolument" does not include the salary or
12 benefits for service as the governor or the mayor of any county,
13 as applicable, or any pension income; retirement income; social
14 security payment; ownership of stocks, mutual funds, or real
15 estate; or rental income."

16 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
17 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
18 begun before its effective date.

19 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

20 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



Report Title:

Governor; Mayors; Outside Employment or Emoluments; Prohibited

Description:

Prohibits any Governor or county mayor, while holding those offices, to maintain any other employment or receive any emolument, beginning on the sixty-first calendar day after their election or appointment to office. (HB361 HD1)

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