
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that public trust in law
2 enforcement is critical to ensuring justice for all under the
3 law. The legislature further finds that the difficult and often
4 dangerous job of law enforcement is safer, easier, and more
5 effectively executed when citizens trust those empowered to
6 serve and protect them.

7 The purpose of this Act is to enhance the public's trust in
8 law enforcement and standardize best practices between the
9 counties by amending provisions pertaining to the law
10 enforcement officer independent review board to:

11 (1) Require members to serve four-year terms; and

12 (2) Make the board permanent.

13 SECTION 2. Section 28-152, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

15 "(e) The members of the board shall serve without
16 compensation for [~~terms specified by the appointing authority,~~]
17 a term of four years, but shall be reimbursed for expenses,



1 including travel expenses, incurred in the performance of their
2 duties."

3 SECTION 3. Act 161, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, is
4 amended by amending section 7 to read as follows:

5 "SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017;
6 provided that:

7 (1) Section 4 of this Act shall take effect on July 1,
8 2016; and

9 (2) The sum appropriated by section 4 of this Act shall
10 serve as the source of funding for the establishment
11 of the law enforcement officer independent review
12 board and expenses arising in connection with the
13 board[~~;~~ ~~and~~

14 ~~(3) This Act shall be repealed on June 30, 2022, and~~
15 ~~section 712A-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be~~
16 ~~reenacted in the form in which it read on June 30,~~
17 ~~2017]."~~

18 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050;
2 provided that section 3 of this Act shall take effect on
3 June 29, 2022.



Report Title:

Law Enforcement Officers; Independent Review Board

Description:

Amends the term for members of the Law Enforcement Officer Independent Review Board to four years. Makes the Law Enforcement Officer Independent Review Board permanent. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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