THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 1564

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 92-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
amended to read as follows:

3 "§92-21 Copies of records; other costs and fees. Except 4 as otherwise provided by law, a copy of any government record, 5 including any map, plan, diagram, photograph, photostat, or 6 geographic information system digital data file [--which] that is 7 open to the inspection of the public, shall be furnished to any 8 person applying for the [same] copy of the government record by 9 the public officer having charge or control thereof, in the 10 format requested, upon the payment of the reasonable cost of 11 reproducing such copy [-]; provided that the format requested is 12 available. Except as provided in section 91-2.5, the cost of 13 reproducing any government record, except geographic information 14 system digital data, shall not be less than 5 cents per page, 15 sheet, or fraction thereof. The cost of reproducing geographic 16 information system digital data shall be in accordance with rules adopted by the agency having charge or control of that 17

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data. Such reproduction cost shall include but shall not be 1 2 limited to labor cost for search and actual time for reproducing, material cost, including electricity cost, 3 equipment cost, including rental cost, cost for certification, 4 5 and other related costs. All fees shall be paid in by the 6 public officer receiving or collecting the same to the state 7 director of finance, the county director of finance, or to the 8 agency or department by which the officer is employed, as 9 government realizations; provided that fees collected by the 10 public utilities commission pursuant to this section shall be 11 deposited in the public utilities commission special fund 12 established under section 269-33."

13 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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By Request



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Report Title: Public Records; Copies of Records; Costs and Fees

Description: Allows a requestor of a public record to receive the public record in the format of their choice; provided that the format that is being requested is available.

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