A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION PRACTICES.

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

- SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the office of information practices plays a vital role in ensuring public access to government documents, while balancing the need to
- 4 protect privacy rights. Despite significant budget cuts, the
- 5 office of information practices continues to serve government
- $oldsymbol{6}$ agencies and the public by responding to requests for
- 7 assistance, guidance and opinions; adopting rules; monitoring
- 8 Uniform Information Practices Act related litigation; and
- 9 educating by means of presentations, publications, and its
- 10 website. In addition, the office of information practices has
- 11 taken on the additional responsibility of administering the open
- 12 meetings law. The legislature finds that additional resources
- 13 are necessary to enable the office of information practices to
- 14 respond adequately to requests for assistance as required by
- 15 law. The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the
- 16 office of information practices.
- 17 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 18 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so



- 1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
- 2 the office of information practices.
- 3 SECTION 3. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the
- 4 office of information practices for the purposes of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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Report Title:

Office of Information Practices; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the office of information practices for FY2006-2007.