## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CIVIL SERVICE EXEMPT EMPLOYEES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to comply with Act 253, Session Laws of Hawaii 2000, which placed restrictions on 2 the creation of civil service exempt positions and required the 3 review of exempt positions annually to determine whether they 4 should remain exempt or be converted to civil service status. 5 SECTION 2. Section 6E-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 6 amended to read as follows: 7 "S6E-3 Historic preservation program. There is 8 established within the department a division to administer a 9 comprehensive historic preservation program, which shall include 10 but not be limited to the following: 11 Development of an on-going program of historical, 12 (1)architectural, and archaeological research and 13 development, including surveys, excavations, 14 scientific recording, interpretation, and publications 15 16
  - on the State's historical and cultural resources; Acquisition of historic or cultural properties, real (2)
- 17 or personal, in fee or in any lesser interest, by 18

1		gift, purchase, condemnation, devise, bequest, land
2		exchange, or other means; preservation, restoration,
3		administration, or transference of the property; and
4		the charging of reasonable admissions to that
5		property;
6	(3)	Development of a statewide survey and inventory to
7		identify and document historic properties, aviation
8		artifacts, and burial sites, including all those owned
9		by the State and the counties;
10	(4)	Preparation of information for the Hawaii register of
11		historic places and listing on the national register
12		of historic places;
13	(5)	Preparation, review, and revisions of a state historic
14		preservation plan, including budget requirements and
15		land use recommendations;
16	(6)	Application for and receipt of gifts, grants,
17		technical assistance, and other funding from public
18		and private sources for the purposes of this chapter;
19	(7)	Provision of technical and financial assistance to the
20		counties and public and private agencies involved in
21		historic preservation activities;

1	(8)	Coordination of activities of the countries in
2		accordance with the state plan for historic
3		preservation;
4	(9)	Stimulation of public interest in historic
5		preservation, including the development and
6		implementation of interpretive programs for historic
7		properties listed on or eligible for the Hawaii
8		register of historic places;
9	(10)	Coordination of the evaluation and management of
10		burial sites as provided in section 6E-43;
11	(11)	Acquisition of burial sites in fee or in any lesser
12		interest, by gift, purchase, condemnation, devise,
13		bequest, land exchange, or other means, to be held in
14		trust;
15	(12)	Submittal of an annual report to the governor and
16		legislature detailing the accomplishments of the year,
17		recommendations for changes in the state plan or
18		future programs relating to historic preservation, and
19		an accounting of all income, expenditures, and the
20		fund balance of the Hawaii historic preservation
21		special fund;

1	(13)	Regulation of archaeological activities throughout the
2		State;
3	(14)	Employment of sufficient professional and technical
4		staff for the purposes of this chapter [without regard
5		to] in accordance with chapter 76;
6	(15)	The charging of fees to at least partially defray the
7		costs of administering sections $6E-3(13)$ , $6E-8$ , and
8		6E-42 of this chapter;
9	(16)	Adoption of rules in accordance with chapter 91,
10		necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter;
11		and
12	(17)	Development and adoption, in consultation with the
13		office of Hawaiian affairs native historic
14		preservation council, of rules governing permits for
15		access by native Hawaiians and Hawaiians to cultural,
16		historic, and pre-contact sites and monuments."
17	SECT	ION 3. Section 26-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18	amended b	y amending subsection (o) to read as follows:
19	"(0)	Every person licensed under any chapter within the
20	jurisdict	ion of the department of commerce and consumer affairs
21	and every	person licensed subject to chapter 485 shall pay upon
22	issuance	of a license, permit, certificate, or registration a

- 1 fee and a subsequent annual fee to be determined by the director
  2 and adjusted from time to time to ensure that the proceeds,
  3 together with all other fines, income, and penalties collected
- 4 under this section, do not surpass the annual operating costs of
- 5 conducting compliance resolution activities required under this
- 6 section. The fees may be collected biennially or pursuant to
- 7 rules adopted under chapter 91, and shall be deposited into the
- 8 special fund established under this subsection. Every filing
- 9 pursuant to chapter 514E or section 485-6(15) shall be assessed,
- 10 upon initial filing and at each renewal period in which a
- 11 renewal is required, a fee that shall be prescribed by rules
- 12 adopted under chapter 91, and that shall be deposited into the
- 13 special fund established under this subsection. Any unpaid fee
- 14 shall be paid by the licensed person, upon application for
- 15 renewal, restoration, reactivation, or reinstatement of a
- 16 license, and by the person responsible for the renewal,
- 17 restoration, reactivation, or reinstatement of a license, upon-
- 18 the application for renewal, restoration, reactivation, or
- 19 reinstatement of the license. If the fees are not paid, the
- 20 director may deny renewal, restoration, reactivation, or
- 21 reinstatement of the license. The director may establish,
- 22 increase, decrease, or repeal the fees when necessary pursuant

- 1 to rules adopted under chapter 91. The director may also
- 2 increase or decrease the fees pursuant to section 92-28.
- 3 There is created in the state treasury a special fund to be
- 4 known as the compliance resolution fund to be expended by the
- 5 director's designated representatives as provided by this
- 6 subsection. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, all
- 7 revenues, fees, and fines collected by the department shall be
- 8 deposited into the compliance resolution fund. Unencumbered
- 9 balances existing on June 30, 1999, in the cable television fund
- 10 under chapter 440G, the division of consumer advocacy fund under
- 11 chapter 269, the financial institution examiners' revolving
- 12 fund, section 412:2-109, the special handling fund, section
- 13 414-13, and unencumbered balances existing on June 30, 2002, in
- 14 the insurance regulation fund, section 431:2-215, shall be
- 15 deposited into the compliance resolution fund. This provision
- 16 shall not apply to the drivers education fund underwriters fee,
- 17 section 431:10C-115, insurance premium taxes and revenues,
- 18 revenues of the workers' compensation special compensation fund,
- 19 section 386-151, the captive insurance administrative fund,
- 20 section 431:19-101.8, the insurance commissioner's education and
- 21 training fund, section 431:2-214, the medical malpractice
- 22 patients' compensation fund as administered under section 5 of

- 1 Act 232, Session Laws of Hawaii 1984, and fees collected for
- 2 deposit in the office of consumer protection restitution fund,
- 3 section 487-14, the real estate appraisers fund, section 466K-1,
- 4 the real estate recovery fund, section 467-16, the real estate
- 5 education fund, section 467-19, the contractors recovery fund,
- 6 section 444-26, the contractors education fund, section 444-29,
- 7 and the condominium education trust fund, section 514B-71. Any
- 8 law to the contrary notwithstanding, the director may use the
- 9 moneys in the fund to employ, without regard to chapter 76,
- 10 hearings officers[ \_ investigators\_ ] and attorneys[ \_ accountants\_ \_
- 11 and other necessary personnel to implement this subsection].
- 12 All other employees shall be employed in accordance with chapter
- 13 76. Any law to the contrary notwithstanding, the moneys in the
- 14 fund shall be used to fund the operations of the department.
- 15 The moneys in the fund may be used to train personnel as the
- 16 director deems necessary and for any other activity related to
- 17 compliance resolution.
- As used in this subsection, unless otherwise required by
- 19 the context, "compliance resolution" means a determination of
- 20 whether:

1	(1)	Any licensee or applicant under any chapter subject to
2		the jurisdiction of the department of commerce and
3		consumer affairs has complied with that chapter;
4	(2)	Any person subject to chapter 485 has complied with
5		that chapter;
6	(3)	Any person submitting any filing required by chapter
7		514E or section 485-6(15) has complied with chapter
8		514E or section 485-6(15); or
9	(4)	Any person has complied with the prohibitions against
10		unfair and deceptive acts or practices in trade or
11		commerce;
12	and inclu	des work involved in or supporting the above functions,
13	licensing	, or registration of individuals or companies regulated
14	by the de	partment, consumer protection, and other activities of
15	the depar	tment.
16	The	director shall prepare and submit an annual report to
17	the gover	nor and the legislature on the use of the compliance
18	resolutio	n fund. The report shall describe expenditures made
19	from the	fund including non-payroll operating expenses."
20	SECT	ION 4. Section 28-10.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21	amended b	y amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(b) The attorney general may employ, without regard to 1 chapter 76, and at pleasure dismiss an administrator to oversee 2 and carry out the resource coordination functions of the 3 department set forth in subsection (a). In addition, the 4 attorney general [may] shall employ, [without regard to] in 5 6 accordance with chapter 76, [and at pleasure dismiss] other support staff necessary for the performance of the resource 7 coordination functions." 8 SECTION 5. Section 28-10.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 9 10 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: "(b) The attorney general may employ, without regard to 11 chapter 76, and at the attorney general's pleasure dismiss, an 12 administrator [and] to oversee and carry out the programs, 13 projects, and activities on the subject of crime, as set forth 14 in subsection (a). The attorney general shall also employ other 15 support staff, in accordance with chapter 76, necessary for the 16 performance or coordination of the programs, projects, and 17 activities on the subject of crime." 18 SECTION 6. Section 28-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 19 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 20 The attorney general may also appoint persons whose 21 "(b)

primary function will be to provide security coverage for the

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- 1 governor and other public officials of this State, to be known
- 2 as security investigators, who shall have and may exercise all
- 3 the powers and authority of the investigators appointed under
- 4 subsection (a). When not providing security coverage for the
- 5 governor or other public officials, the security investigators
- 6 will conduct other investigations as directed by the attorney
- 7 general. The positions of security investigators [shall] may be
- 8 exempt from chapter 76."
- 9 SECTION 7. Section 174C-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 "§174C-5 General powers and duties. The general
- 12 administration of the state water code shall rest with the
- 13 commission on water resource management. In addition to its
- 14 other powers and duties, the commission:
- 15 (1) Shall carry out topographic surveys, research, and
- investigations into all aspects of water use and water
- 17 quality;
- 18 (2) Shall designate water management areas for regulation
- 19 under this chapter where the commission, after the
- 20 research and investigations mentioned in paragraph
- 21 (1), shall consult with the appropriate county council
- and county water agency, and after public hearing and

1		published notice, linds that the water resolices of
2		the areas are being threatened by existing or proposed
3		withdrawals of water;
4	(3)	Shall establish an instream use protection program
5		designed to protect, enhance, and reestablish, where
6		practicable, beneficial instream uses of water in the
7		State;
8	(4)	May contract and cooperate with the various agencies
9		of the federal government and with state and local
10		administrative and governmental agencies or private
11		persons;
12	(5)	May enter, after obtaining the consent of the property
13		owner, at all reasonable times upon any property other
14		than dwelling places for the purposes of conducting
15		investigations and studies or enforcing any of the
16		provisions of this code, being liable, however, for
17		actual damage done. If consent cannot be obtained,
18		reasonable notice shall be given prior to entry;
19	(6)	Shall cooperate with federal agencies, other state
20		agencies, county or other local governmental
21		organizations, and all other public and private

agencies created for the purpose of utilizing and

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1		conserving the waters of the State, and assist these
2		organizations and agencies in coordinating the use of
3		their facilities and participate in the exchange of
4		ideas, knowledge, and data with these organizations
5		and agencies. For this purpose the commission shall
6		maintain an advisory staff of experts;
7	(7)	Shall prepare, publish, and issue [such] printed
8		pamphlets and bulletins as the commission deems
9		necessary for the dissemination of information to the
10		public concerning its activities;
11	(8)	May appoint and remove agents [and employees],
12		including hearings officers[ - specialists - and
13		consultants, necessary to carry out the purposes of
14		this chapter, who may be engaged by the commission
15		without regard to the requirements of chapter 76 and
16		section 78-1;
17	<u>(9)</u>	Shall hire employees in accordance with chapter 76;
18	[ <del>-(9)</del> -]	(10) May acquire, lease, and dispose of such real and
19		personal property as may be necessary in the
20		performance of its functions, including the
21		acquisition of real property for the purpose of

1		conserving and protecting water and water related
2		resources as provided in section 174C-14;
3	[ <del>(10)</del> ]	(11) Shall identify, by continuing study, those areas
4		of the State where salt water intrusion is a threat to
5		fresh water resources and report its findings to the
6		appropriate county mayor and council and the public;
7	[ <del>-(11-)</del> ]	(12) Shall provide coordination, cooperation, or
8		approval necessary to the effectuation of any plan or
9		project of the federal government in connection with
10		or concerning the waters of the State. The commission
11		shall approve or disapprove any federal plans or
12		projects on behalf of the State. No other agency or
13		department of the State shall assume the duties
14		delegated to the commission under this paragraph;
15		except that the department of health shall continue to
16		exercise the powers vested in it with respect to water
17		quality, and except that the department of business,
18		economic development, and tourism shall continue to
19		carry out its duties and responsibilities under
20		chapter 205A;
21	[ <del>(12)</del> ]	(13) Shall plan and coordinate programs for the
22		development, conservation, protection, control, and

1		regulation of water resources, based upon the best
2		available information, and in cooperation with federal
3		agencies, other state agencies, county or other local
4		governmental organizations, and other public and
5		private agencies created for the utilization and
6		conservation of water;
7	[ <del>(13)</del> ]	(14) Shall catalog and maintain an inventory of all
8		water uses and water resources; and
9	[ <del>(14)</del> ]	(15) Shall determine appurtenant water rights,
10		including quantification of the amount of water
11		entitled to by that right, which determination shall
12		be valid for purposes of this chapter."
13	SECTI	ON 8. Section 202-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14	amended by	amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
15	"(a)	The workforce development council shall appoint and
16	fix the co	mpensation of an executive director, who shall be
17	exempt from	m chapter 76, and [may] shall employ [such] any other
18	personnel	as it deems advisable within chapter 76."
19	SECTI	ON 9. Section 206E-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20	amended to	read as follows:
21	"§206	E-4 Powers; generally. Except as otherwise limited
22	by this ch	apter, the authority may:

1	(1)	Sue and be sued;
2	(2)	Have a seal and alter the same at pleasure;
3	(3)	Make and execute contracts and all other instruments
4		necessary or convenient for the exercise of its powers
5		and functions under this chapter;
6	(4)	Make and alter bylaws for its organization and
7		internal management;
8	(5)	Make rules with respect to its projects, operations,
9		properties, and facilities, which rules shall be in
10		conformance with chapter 91;
11	(6)	Through its executive director appoint officers[ $\tau$ ] and
12		agents, [and employees,] prescribe their duties and
13		qualifications, and fix their salaries, without regard
14		to chapter 76;
15	(7)	Hire employees in accordance with chapter 76;
16	[ <del> (7)</del> ]	(8) Prepare or cause to be prepared a community
17		development plan for all designated community
18		development districts;
19	[ <del>-(8)-</del> ]	(9) Acquire, reacquire, or contract to acquire or
20		reacquire by grant or purchase real, personal, or
21		mixed property or any interest therein; to own, hold,
22		clear, improve, and rehabilitate, and to sell, assign,

1		exchange, transfer, convey, lease, or otherwise
2		dispose of or encumber the same;
3	[ <del>-(9)</del> ]	(10) Acquire or reacquire by condemnation real,
4		personal, or mixed property or any interest therein
5		for public facilities, including but not limited to
6		streets, sidewalks, parks, schools, and other public
7		improvements;
8	[ <del>-(10)-</del> ]	(11) By itself, or in partnership with qualified
9		persons, acquire, reacquire, construct, reconstruct,
10		rehabilitate, improve, alter, or repair or provide for
11		the construction, reconstruction, improvement,
12		alteration, or repair of any project; own, hold, sell,
13		assign, transfer, convey, exchange, lease, or
14		otherwise dispose of or encumber any project, and in
15		the case of the sale of any project, accept a purchase
16		money mortgage in connection therewith; and repurchase
17		or otherwise acquire any project which the authority
18		has theretofore sold or otherwise conveyed,
19		transferred, or disposed of;
20	[ <del>(11)</del> ]	(12) Arrange or contract for the planning,
21		replanning, opening, grading, or closing of streets,
22		roads, roadways, alleys, or other places, or for the

1		furnishing of facilities or for the acquisition of
2		property or property rights or for the furnishing of
3		property or services in connection with a project;
4	[ <del>(12)</del> ]	(13) Grant options to purchase any project or to
5		renew any lease entered into by it in connection with
6		any of its projects, on [such] terms and conditions as
7		it deems advisable;
8	[ <del>-(13)-</del> ]	(14) Prepare or cause to be prepared plans,
9		specifications, designs, and estimates of costs for
10		the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation,
11		improvement, alteration, or repair of any project, and
12		from time to time to modify such plans,
13		specifications, designs, or estimates;
14	[ <del>(14)</del> ]	(15) Provide advisory, consultative, training, and
15		educational services, technical assistance, and advice
16		to any person, partnership, or corporation, either
17		public or private, in order to carry out the purposes
18		of this chapter, and engage the services of
19		consultants on a contractual basis for rendering
20		professional and technical assistance and advice;
21	[ <del>(15)</del> ]	(16) Procure insurance against any loss in connection
22		with its property and other assets and operations in

1		[such] any amounts and from [such] any insurers as it
2		deems desirable;
3	[ <del>(16)</del> ]	(17) Contract for and accept gifts or grants in any
4		form from any public agency or from any other source;
5	[ <del>(17)</del> ]	(18) Do any and all things necessary to carry out its
6		purposes and exercise the powers given and granted in
7		this chapter; and
8	[ <del>(18)</del> ]	(19) Allow satisfaction of any affordable housing
9		requirements imposed by the authority upon any
10		proposed development project through the construction
11		of reserved housing, as defined in section 206E-101,
12		by a person on land located outside the geographic
13		boundaries of the authority's jurisdiction. [Such]
14		The substituted housing shall be located on the same
15		island as the development project and shall be
16		substantially equal in value to the required reserved
17		housing units that were to be developed on site. The
18		authority shall establish the following priority in
19		the development of reserved housing:
20		(A) Within the community development district;
21		(B) Within areas immediately surrounding the
22		community development district;

1	(C) Areas within the central urban core;
2	(D) In outlying areas within the same island as the
3	development project.
4	The Hawaii community development authority shall
5	adopt rules relating to the approval of reserved
6	housing that are developed outside of a community.
7	development district. The rules shall include, but
8	are not limited to, the establishment of guidelines to
9	ensure compliance with the above priorities."
10	SECTION 10. Section 269-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11	amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
12	"(a) The chairperson of the public utilities commission
13	may appoint and employ [such] any clerks, stenographers, agents,
14	engineers, accountants, and other assistants for the public
15	utilities commission as the chairperson finds necessary for the
16	performance of the commission's functions and define their
17	powers and duties. The chairperson may appoint and at pleasure
18	dismiss a chief administrator[7-research assistants, economists,
19	legal secretaries, enforcement officers, and [such] hearings
20	officers as may be necessary. Notwithstanding section
21	103D-209(b), the chairperson shall appoint one or more attorneys
22	independent of the attorney general who shall act as attorneys

- 1 for the commission and define their powers and duties and fix
- 2 their compensation. The chief administrator, [research
- 3 assistants, economists, legal secretaries, enforcement
- 4 officers, hearings officers, and attorneys shall be exempt from
- 5 chapter 76. Other employees shall be appointed [as may be
- 6 needed by the chairperson in accordance with chapter 76."
- 7 SECTION 11. Section 342G-12.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 8 amended to read as follows:
- 9 "§342G-12.5 Recycling coordinator. There is established a
- 10 position of assistant to the coordinator of the office of solid
- 11 waste management to be known as the recycling coordinator. The
- 12 position shall be appointed by the director [without regard to]
- 13 in accordance with chapter 76. [Effective July 1, 2005, the
- 14 recycling coordinator shall be paid a salary set by the
- 15 appointing authority that shall not exceed fifty per cent of the
- 16 salary of the director of human resources development. The
- 17 recycling coordinator shall be included in any benefit program
- 18 generally applicable to the officers and employees of the
- 19 State.1"
- 20 SECTION 12. Section 346D-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 21 amended to read as follows:

1	~9341	bu-a Personnel exempt. The department of numan
2	services	[may] shall employ civil service [and non-civil
3	service] [	personnel in accordance with chapter 76 to service the
4	waiver pro	ograms. [ <del>The personnel employed for the waiver</del>
5	<del>programs i</del>	may be exempt from chapter 76, as deemed appropriate by
6	the depart	ment of human services.]"
7	SECT	ION 13. Section 371K-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8	amended to	read as follows:
9	"§37:	LK-3 General functions, duties, and powers of the
10	executive	director. The executive director shall:
11	(1)	Serve as the principal official in state government
12		responsible for the coordination of programs for the
13		needy, poor, and disadvantaged persons, refugees, and
14		immigrants;
15	(2)	Oversee, supervise, and direct the performance by
16		subordinates of activities in such areas as planning,
17		evaluation, and coordination of programs for
18		disadvantaged persons, refugees, and immigrants and
19		development of a statewide service delivery network;
20	(3)	Assess the policies and practices of public and
21		private agencies impacting on the disadvantaged and

1		conduct advocacy efforts on behalf of the
2		disadvantaged, refugees, and immigrants;
3	(4)	Devise and recommend legislative and administrative
4		actions for the improvement of services for the
5		disadvantaged, refugees, and immigrants;
6	(5)	Serve as a member of advisory boards and panels of
7		state agencies in such areas as child development
8		programs, elder programs, social services programs,
9		health and medical assistance programs, refugee
10		assistance programs, and immigrant services programs;
11	(6)	Administer funds allocated for the office of community
12		services; and apply for, receive, and disburse grants
13		and donations from all sources for programs and
14		services to assist the disadvantaged, refugees, and
15		immigrants;
16	(7)	Adopt, amend, and repeal rules pursuant to chapter 91
17		for purposes of this chapter;
18	(8)	Retain such staff as may be necessary for the purposes
19		of this chapter, [who shall be exempt from] in
20		accordance with chapter 76;
21	(9)	Contract for [such] services as may be necessary for
22		the purposes of this chapter;

(10) Orient members of the advisory council to the goals, 1 2 functions, and programs of the office; and (11) Seek the input of council members on all matters 3 pertaining to the functions of the office." 4 SECTION 14. Section 373C-33, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 5 amended to read as follows: 6 7 "§373C-33 Personnel. The department of labor and industrial relations [may] shall establish positions and hire 8 necessary personnel for the purposes of this part [without 9 regard to] in accordance with chapter 76." 10 11 SECTION 15. Section 383-128, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (k) to read as follows: 12 The director [may] shall establish positions and hire 13 necessary personnel to establish and administer the employment 14 and training fund [without regard to] in accordance with chapter 15 76." 16 SECTION 16. Section 412:2-109, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 17 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 18 "(b) The commissioner [may] shall appoint financial 19 20 institution examiners, [not subject to] in accordance with

chapter 76, who shall examine the affairs, transactions,

accounts, records, documents, and assets of financial

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- 1 institutions. The commissioner [also may] shall appoint
- 2 administrative support personnel, [not subject to] in accordance
- 3 with chapter 76, who shall assist and support the examiners.
- 4 The commissioner may pay the salaries of the financial
- 5 institution examiners and administrative support personnel from
- 6 the compliance resolution fund."
- 7 SECTION 17. Section 440G-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 8 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 9 "(d) The director may appoint, without regard to chapter
- 10 76, an administrator[, engineers, financial analysts, and other
- 11 technical staff as may be necessary] and [may appoint] one or
- 12 more attorneys for purposes of enforcing this chapter. The
- 13 director shall define their powers and duties and fix their
- 14 compensation. The director [may also] shall appoint
- 15 professional, clerical, stenographic, and other staff as may be
- 16 necessary for the proper administration and enforcement of this
- 17 chapter subject to chapter 76."
- SECTION 18. Section 802-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 19 amended to read as follows:
- 20 "§802-12 Organization of office; assistance. Subject to
- 21 the approval of the defender council, the state public defender
- 22 may employ assistant state public defenders and such other

- 1 employees, including investigators, as may be necessary to
- 2 discharge the function of the office. The assistant public
- 3 defenders shall be qualified to practice before the supreme
- 4 court of this State. [They] Assistant state public defenders
- 5 shall be appointed without regard to chapter  $76[\tau]$  and shall
- 6 serve at the pleasure of the state public defender. All other
- 7 employees shall be appointed in accordance with chapter 76. An
- 8 assistant state public defender may be employed on a part-time
- 9 basis, and when so employed, the assistant public defender may
- 10 engage in the general practice of law, other than in the
- 11 practice of criminal law."
- 12 SECTION 19. Act 88, Session Laws of Hawaii 2001, is
- 13 amended by amending section 4 to read as follows:
- "SECTION 4. Effective July 1, 2003, all positions and
- 15 employees of the Hawaii public employees health fund who are
- 16 subject to chapters 76, Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be
- 17 transferred to the Hawaii employer-union health benefits trust
- 18 fund. All officers and employees whose functions are
- 19 transferred by this Act shall be transferred with their
- 20 functions and shall continue to perform their regular duties
- 21 upon their transfer, subject to the state personnel laws and
- 22 this Act.

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All civil service positions and incumbents of the Hawaii
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    public employees health fund transferred by this Act shall
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    remain in the civil service and subject to chapters 76 and 77,
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    Hawaii Revised Statutes; provided that in the event the civil
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    service administrator position becomes vacant prior to July 1,
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    2003, its successor shall be appointed pursuant to section 87-28
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    as amended in section 2 of this Act. [When such positions are
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    vacated on or after July 1, 2003, the positions shall be exempt
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    from civil service and prospective appointments shall be made
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    pursuant to section 1 of this Act.
         No officer or employee of the State having tenure shall
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    suffer any loss of salary, seniority, prior service credit,
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    vacation, sick leave, or other employee benefit or privilege as
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    a consequence of this Act, and such officer or employee may be
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    transferred or appointed to a civil service position without the
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    necessity of examination; provided that the officer or employee
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    possesses the minimum qualifications for the position to which
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    transferred or appointed; and provided that subsequent changes
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    in status may be made pursuant to the applicable civil service
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    and compensation laws.
         In the event that an office or position held by an officer
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    or employee having tenure is abolished, the officer or employee
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- 1 shall not thereby be separated from public employment, but shall
- 2 remain in the employment of the State with the same pay and
- 3 classification and shall be transferred to some other office or
- 4 position for which the officer or employee is eligible under the
- 5 personnel laws of the State as determined by the head of the
- 6 department or the governor."
- 7 SECTION 20. Act 128, Session Laws of Hawaii 2004, is
- 8 amended by amending section 5 to read as follows:
- 9 "SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2004,
- 10 and shall be repealed on July 1, [2006;] 2007; provided that
- 11 section 76-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be reenacted in
- 12 the form in which it read on June 30, 2004."
- 13 SECTION 21. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Act,
- 14 the department of human resources development shall submit, no
- 15 later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular
- 16 session beginning with the regular session of 2007, a report of
- 17 the number of exempt positions that were converted to civil
- 18 service positions during the previous twelve months. The report
- 19 shall include, but not be limited to, when the position was
- 20 established, the purpose of the position, rationale for the
- 21 conversion, and how many exempt positions remain in each state
- 22 department after the conversions.

- 1 SECTION 22. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 23. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007;
- 4 provided that section 20 shall take effect on June 30, 2006.



## Report Title:

Exempt Employee Positions

## Description:

Changes the status of statutorily exempt positions to conform with the annual review of these positions under Act 253, SLH 2000. (SD2)