
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE FUNDS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 36, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
3 read as follows:

4 "§36- Full disclosure of entities receiving state
5 awards. (a) In this section, unless the context indicates

6 otherwise:

7 "Entity":

8 (1) Includes, whether for profit or nonprofit:

9 (A) A corporation;

10 (B) An association;

11 (C) A partnership;

12 (D) A limited liability company;

13 (E) A limited liability partnership;

14 (F) A sole proprietorship;

15 (G) Any other legal business entity;

16 (H) Any other grantee or contractor that is not
17 excluded by subparagraph (2) or (3); and

18 (I) Any state or county entity;



1 (2) On and after January 1, 2010, includes any
2 subcontractor or subgrantee; and

3 (3) Does not include:

4 (A) An individual recipient of state public
5 assistance; or

6 (B) A state employee.

7 "Searchable website" means a website that allows the public
8 to:

9 (1) Search state awards by any identifying element
10 required by subsection (b);

11 (2) Ascertain through a single search the total amount of
12 funding awarded to an entity by state award that is a
13 grant, subgrant, loan, awards cooperative agreement,
14 or other form of financial assistance, by fiscal year;

15 (3) Ascertain through a single search the total amount of
16 funding awarded to an entity by a state award that is
17 a contract, subcontract, purchase order, task order,
18 or delivery order, by fiscal year; and

19 (4) Download data included in subparagraph (1) included in
20 the outcome from searches.

21 "State award" means state financial assistance and
22 expenditures that:



1 (1) Are grants, subgrants, loans, awards, cooperative
2 agreements, other forms of financial assistance,
3 contracts, subcontracts, purchase orders, task orders,
4 and delivery orders;

5 (2) Do not include single transactions less than \$25,000;
6 and

7 (3) Before October 1, 2009, do not include credit card
8 transactions.

9 (b) Not later than January 1, 2009, the department of
10 budget and finance, in accordance with this section, shall
11 establish, implement, and maintain a single searchable website,
12 accessible by the public at no cost, that includes for each
13 state award:

14 (1) The name of the entity receiving the award;

15 (2) The amount of the award;

16 (3) Information on the award, including transaction type,
17 funding agency, the North American Industry
18 Classification System code, program source, and an
19 award title descriptive of the purpose of each funding
20 action;

21 (4) The full address of the entity receiving the award and
22 the primary location of performance under the award;



1 (5) A unique identifier of the entity receiving the award
2 and of the parent entity of the recipient, if the
3 entity is owned by another entity; and

4 (6) Any other relevant information specified by the
5 department of budget and finance.

6 The website shall include data for fiscal year 2008 and
7 each fiscal year thereafter.

8 The director of finance is authorized to designate one or
9 more state agencies to participate in the development,
10 establishment, maintenance, and support of the website. In the
11 initial designation, or in subsequent instructions and guidance,
12 the director may specify the scope of the responsibilities of
13 each agency.

14 State agencies shall comply with the instructions and
15 guidance issued by the director of finance and shall provide
16 appropriate assistance to the director upon request, so as to
17 assist the director in ensuring the existence and operation of
18 the website.

19 (c) The website established under this section:

20 (1) Shall provide an opportunity for the public to provide
21 input about the utility of the site and
22 recommendations for improvements;



- 1 (2) Shall be updated not later than thirty days after the
2 award of any state award requiring a posting; and
- 3 (3) Shall provide for separate searches for the state
4 awards,
- 5 provided that, notwithstanding any provision under this section
6 to the contrary, except for information that is disclosed in the
7 aggregate, information on any state award that is tax related
8 and authorized under title 14 shall be disclosed pursuant to
9 taxpayer disclosure provisions under title 14.
- 10 (d) Not later than July 1, 2008, the director of finance
11 shall establish and implement a pilot program to:
- 12 (1) Test the collection and accession of data about
13 subgrants and subcontracts; and
- 14 (2) Determine how to implement a subaward reporting
15 program across the State, including:
- 16 (A) A reporting system under which the entity issuing
17 a subgrant or subcontract is responsible for
18 fulfilling the subaward reporting requirement;
19 and
- 20 (B) A mechanism for collecting and incorporating
21 agency and public feedback on the design and
22 utility of the website.



1 The pilot program shall terminate not later than January 1,
2 2010.

3 (e) Based on the pilot program, not later than January 1,
4 2010, the director of finance:

5 (1) Shall ensure that data regarding subawards are
6 disclosed in the same manner as data regarding other
7 state awards; and

8 (2) Shall ensure that the method for collecting and
9 distributing data about subawards:

10 (A) Minimizes burdens imposed on state award
11 recipients and subaward recipients;

12 (B) Allows state award recipients and subaward
13 recipients to allocate reasonable costs for the
14 collection and reporting of subaward data as
15 indirect costs; and

16 (C) Establishes cost-effective requirements for
17 collecting subaward data under block grants,
18 formula grants, and other types of assistance to
19 local governments.

20 For subaward recipients that receive state funds through
21 county governments, the director of finance may extend the
22 deadline for ensuring that data regarding such subawards are



1 disclosed in the same manner as data regarding other state
2 awards for a period not to exceed eighteen months, if the
3 director determines that compliance would impose an undue burden
4 on the subaward recipient.

5 (f) Any entity that demonstrates to the director of
6 finance that the gross income, from all sources, for the entity
7 did not exceed \$300,000 in the previous tax year of that entity
8 shall be exempt from the requirement to report subawards under
9 subsection (d), until the director determines that the
10 imposition of such reporting requirements will not cause an
11 undue burden on the entity.

12 (g) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the department
13 of budget and finance from including through the website
14 established under this section access to data that is publicly
15 available in any other state database.

16 (h) The director of finance shall submit to the
17 legislature not later than twenty days prior to the convening of
18 each regular session an annual report regarding the website
19 established under this section.

20 Each report shall include:



1 (1) Data regarding the usage and public feedback on the
2 utility of the site (including recommendations for
3 improving data quality and collection);

4 (2) An assessment of the reporting burden placed on state
5 award and subaward recipients; and

6 (3) An explanation of any extension of the subaward
7 reporting deadline, if applicable.

8 The director of finance shall make each report publicly
9 available on the website established under this section.

10 (i) Nothing in this section shall require the disclosure
11 of classified information."

12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 and the
15 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
16 2008-2009 for the purposes of this Act.

17 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
18 of budget and finance for the purposes of this Act.

19 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

20 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.



Report Title:

State Funds; Disclosure

Description:

Requires online full disclosure of all entities and organizations receiving state funds. (SD1)

