
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE ETHICS CODE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that public disclosure of
2 documents related to a complaint filed with the ethics
3 commission is in the public interest because it furthers public
4 accountability of public officials and helps to vindicate
5 officials whose charges have been denied.

6 The purpose of this Act is to make available to the public
7 documents relating to charges concerning alleged violations of
8 the ethics code filed against a state employee by a private
9 entity or organization upon final disposition of the charge.

10 SECTION 2. Chapter 84, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
11 by adding a new section to part IV to be appropriately
12 designated and to read as follows:

13 "§84- Charge filed by a person or organization other
14 than the commission. (a) If a charge concerning alleged
15 violations of this chapter is filed by a person or organization
16 other than the commission, the following shall be a matter of
17 public record upon final disposition of the charge:



Report Title:

Ethics Commission; Enforcement

Description:

Makes available to the public, documents relating to charges concerning alleged violations of the ethics code filed against a state employee by a private entity or organization upon final disposition of the charge. Permits the private person or organization to be apprised of the status of the charge.

