### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE JUDICIAL SELECTION COMMISSION.

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

1	SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to:	
2	(1)	Appropriate funds for the operation of the judicial
3		selection commission for fiscal year 2008-2009; and
4	(2)	Amend certain statutory provisions to facilitate the
5		judicial selection commission's independent status as
6		prescribed by article VI, section 4 of the state
7		constitution.
8	SECTION 2. Section 26-25, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
9	amended to read as follows:	
10	"[ $\frac{1}{2}$ \$26-25[ $\frac{1}{2}$ ] Services to the judiciary [ $\frac{1}{2}$ , the	
11	judicial selection commission, and the legislature. Any	
12	executive department may provide services to the judiciary	
13	$[rac{ ext{and}}{ au}]_{ au}$ the judicial selection commission, and the legislature $[ au]_{ au}$	
14	<pre>but]; provided that nothing in this [part and this] chapter</pre>	
15	shall be construed as granting any authority to the governor or	
16	any depar	tment to exercise control over the organization,
17	programs,	functions, operations, and expenditures of the

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    judiciary [and], the judicial selection commission, or the
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    legislature."
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         SECTION 3. Section 40-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
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          "(c) With respect to the judiciary [and], the judicial
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    selection commission, and the legislature, the comptroller shall
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    make available to the judiciary [and], the judicial selection
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    commission, and the legislature the total amount appropriated to
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    each, except that the judiciary [and], the judicial selection
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    commission, and the legislature may request the comptroller's
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    services in maintaining custody of the amount appropriated to
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    each and in making payments therefrom. When such services are
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    requested, the comptroller shall make all disbursements
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    requested by the judiciary [or], the judicial selection
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    commission, or the legislature[, but]; provided that the
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    comptroller shall not make any disbursement for which no
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    appropriation has been made or [which] that would cause a
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    specific appropriation to be exceeded."
         SECTION 4. Section 40-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    amended to read as follows:
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         "§40-51 Money drawn only on warrants. Excepting moneys
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paid for the redemption of bonds of the state debt, and the

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- 1 interest coupons of the same, and for interest on overdue 2 warrants, and drafts against special deposits and for the 3 expenses of the legislature [and], the judiciary, and the 4 judicial selection commission, and payment authorized by the 5 comptroller by means of electronic funds transfers and through 6 automated clearinghouses for the purposes of implementing an 7 electronic benefits transfer system for the department of human 8 services, no money shall be drawn from or out of the treasury 9 except upon warrants, substantially in the form of section 40-10 52, issued from the comptroller's office; provided that upon 11 request, the comptroller shall provide financial services involving the issuance of warrants on behalf of the legislature 12 13 [and], the judiciary [-], and the judicial selection commission. 14 Every warrant shall be signed by the comptroller or the 15 comptroller's deputy or by means of any mechanical check signer 16 that may be adopted by the comptroller, and shall be made 17 payable upon such date as may be approved by the director of 18 finance to the order of the person to whom the State is directly 19 indebted."
- 21 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so

SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general



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- 1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 to
- 2 carry out the operations of the judicial selection commission.
- 3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the judicial
- 4 selection commission for the purposes of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 7 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

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#### Report Title:

Appropriation; Judicial Selection Commission

#### Description:

Amends certain statutory provisions to facilitate the judicial selection commission's independent status. Appropriates funds.