A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COUNTIES.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. Chapter 46, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2	by adding	a new section to be appropriately designated and to
3	read as f	ollows:
4	" <u>§46</u>	- Indemnification of counties. (a) To receive
5	county ai	d, assistance, support, benefits, services, and
6	interests	in or rights to use county property, a state agency
7	may agree	in writing to an indemnity provision by which the
8	state agr	ees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless a county,
9	its offic	ers, agents, and employees when all of the following
10	condition	s are satisfied:
11	(1)	The governor, following a favorable review by the
12		department of the attorney general, approves the
13		State's proposed indemnification; and
14	(2)	The comptroller, pursuant to chapter 41D, has obtained
15		an insurance policy or policies or is able to self
16		insure in an amount sufficient to cover the liability
17		of the State that reasonably may be anticipated to

1	arise under the indemnity provision, or has determined		
2	that it is not in the best interest of the State to		
3	obtain insurance, or to self insure.		
4	(b) An indemnity provision not in strict compliance with		
5	this section shall not give rise to a claim against the State		
6	under chapter 661 or otherwise waive the State's sovereign		
7	immunity."		
8	SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that		
9	matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were		
10	begun, before its effective date.		
11	SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.		
12	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.		

Report Title:

Counties; State Indemnification

Description:

Requires any state agency that receives county assistance, services, or permission to use county property, to indemnify the county. (SD1)