# S.B. NO. 2451

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## 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 amend certain
- 2 sections of the Hawaii Revised Statutes to facilitate the
- 3 judicial selection commission's independent status as provided
- 4 in article VI, section 4 of the Constitution of the State of
- 5 Hawaii.
- 6 SECTION 2. Section 26-25, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 7 amended to read as follows:
- 8 "[{] §26-25[}] Services to the judiciary [and], judicial
- 9 selection commission, and legislature. Any executive department
- 10 may provide services to the judiciary [and], the judicial
- 11 selection commission, and the legislature, but nothing in this
- 12 part and this chapter shall be construed as granting any
- 13 authority to the governor or any department to exercise control
- 14 over the organization, programs, functions, operations, and
- 15 expenditures of the judiciary [and], the judicial selection
- 16 commission, and the legislature."

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         SECTION 3. Section 40-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
    amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
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         "(c) With respect to the judiciary, the judicial selection
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    commission, and the legislature, the comptroller shall make
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    available to the judiciary, judicial selection commission, and
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    the legislature the total amount appropriated to each, except
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    that the judiciary, the judicial selection commission, and the
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    legislature may request the comptroller's services in
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    maintaining custody of the amount appropriated to each and in
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    making payments therefrom. When such services are requested,
    the comptroller shall make all disbursements requested by the
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    judiciary, the judicial selection commission, or the
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    legislature, but shall not make any disbursement for which no
    appropriation has been made or which would cause a specific
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    appropriation to be exceeded."
         SECTION 4. Section 40-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    amended to read as follows:
         "§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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    interest coupons of the same, and for interest on overdue
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    warrants, and drafts against special deposits and for the
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    expenses of the legislature [and], the judiciary, and the
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- 1 judicial selection commission, and payment authorized by the
- 2 comptroller by means of electronic funds transfers and through
- automated clearinghouses for the purposes of implementing an 3
- electronic benefits transfer system for the department of human 4
- 5 services, no money shall be drawn from or out of the treasury
- except upon warrants, substantially in the form of section 6
- 7 40-52, issued from the comptroller's office; provided that upon
- request, the comptroller shall provide financial services 8
- 9 involving the issuance of warrants on behalf of the legislature
- [and], the judiciary[-], and the judicial selection commission. 10
- Every warrant shall be signed by the comptroller or the 11
- 12 comptroller's deputy or by means of any mechanical check signer
- 13 that may be adopted by the comptroller, and shall be made
- 14 payable upon such date as may be approved by the director of
- 15 finance to the order of the person to whom the State is directly
- 16 indebted."
- 17 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 19 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon approval.

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#### Report Title:

Judicial Selection Commission

### Description:

Amends sections 26-25 and 40-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to include the judicial selection commission.