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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EMERGENCY SHELTERS.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 107, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section in part II to be appropriately
3	designated and to read as follows:
4	" <u>§107-</u> Public buildings; emergency shelters. Prior to
5	the construction of any new state or county building that will
6	contain more than ten thousand interior square feet or that will
7	require the expenditure of more than \$10,000,000 in state funds
8	for its planning, design, and construction, the agency or
9	agencies responsible for the project shall consult with the
10	director of civil defense on the potential use of the building
11	as an emergency shelter. Upon a determination by the director
12	of civil defense that:
13	(1) There is a need for additional emergency shelter space
14	in the geographic area where the building is to be
15	constructed; and
16	(2) The new building will be suitable for use as an
17	emergency shelter;

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1	the design and construction specifications for the building
2	shall be modified, as needed, to meet the standards for an
3	emergency shelter as established in the state building code or
4	applicable county building code."
5	SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
6	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title: Public Buildings; Emergency Shelters

## Description:

Requires new state buildings to be evaluated for suitability as an emergency shelter, and requires qualifying new state buildings to be modified to serve as emergency shelters.

