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A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE JUDICIAL SELECTION COMMISSION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The judicial selection commission reviews and
2 evaluates applicants for all judicial vacancies, selects the
3 qualified nominees, and then forwards the names of the nominees
4 to the appropriate appointing authority. The judicial selection
5 commission is an independent, constitutionally-created entity
6 and, pursuant to article VI, section 4, of the Constitution of
7 the State of Hawaii, is attached to the judicial branch for
8 administrative support only.

9 While article VI, section 4, of the Constitution of the
10 State of Hawaii requires that the legislature "provide for the
11 staff and operating expenses of the judicial selection
12 commission in a separate budget", the judicial selection
13 commission, in prior years, has not presented its own budget
14 request to the legislature. Funding for the judicial selection
15 commission has generally been included as part of the
16 judiciary's budget.



1 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the
2 judicial selection commission's operations for fiscal years
3 2009-2010 and 2010-2011.

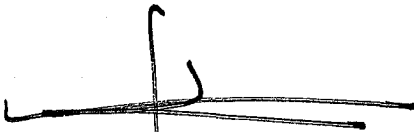
4 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$100,000 or so much
6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and the
7 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
8 2010-2011 for the staffing and operation of the judicial
9 selection commission.

10 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the judicial
11 selection commission for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

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INTRODUCED BY:


By Request

Report Title:

Judicial Selection Commission; Budget Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for the operation of the judicial selection commission.

