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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State's recent 1 budget shortfall and ongoing economic concerns make it necessary 2 to evaluate state departments, programs, and services to 3 determine those that are no longer necessary and that may be 4 eliminated or consolidated. 5 The purpose of this Act is to streamline state government 6 by creating a nonpartisan committee to identify state programs, 7 agencies, practices, and services that should be discontinued or 8 9 consolidated. (a) There is created the program realignment 10 SECTION 2. and closure committee. The committee shall consist of the 11 12 following members: The governor or the governor's designee, who shall 13 (1)serve as the chair of the committee; 14 (2) Two members of the senate to be selected by the senate 15

16 president from among the members of the majority 17 party;



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1	(3)	One member of the senate to be selected by the senate
2		president from the minority party;
3	(4)	Two members of the house of representatives to be
4		selected by the speaker of the house of
5		representatives from among the members of the majority
6		party;
7	(5)	Two members of the house of representatives to be
8		selected by the speaker of the house of
9		representatives from among the members of the minority
10		party;
11	(6)	The directors of each state department or the
12		directors' designees, who shall serve as ex officio
13		nonvoting members;
14	(7)	The chief justice of the supreme court or the chief
15		justice's designee;
16	(8)	The president of the University of Hawaii or the
17		president's designee, who shall serve as an ex officio
18		nonvoting member; and
19	(9)	The chairperson of the board of trustees of the office
20		of Hawaiian affairs or the chairperson's designee.
21	(b)	The program realignment and closure committee shall
22	review th	e current organization and operation of state
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government and make recommendations on programs, agencies,
practices, or services that may be eliminated or consolidated in
order to make state government function and deliver services
more efficiently.

(c) The program realignment and closure committee shall 5 submit its report and recommendations, including any proposed 6 7 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior 8 to the convening of the regular session of 2013. During the 9 2013 regular session, the legislature shall review each 10 recommendation of the committee and shall vote to accept or reject the recommendation; provided that the legislature shall 11 12 accept or reject the recommendation in its entirety.

13 (d) The program realignment and closure committee shall be14 dissolved on June 30, 2013.

15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title: Government; Efficiency; Program Realignment and Closure Committee

### Description:

Creates the program realignment and closure committee to recommend state programs that should be discontinued or consolidated.

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