. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII H.B. NO. **535**

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE BUDGET.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 37, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2	by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
3	read as follows:
4	" <u>§37-</u> Reporting of intended material changes to
5	expenses, programs, projects, or capital improvement projects.
6	(a) Prior to the implementation of any material change to an
7	expense, program, project, or capital improvement project for
8	which the legislature has already appropriated funds, the
9	director of finance shall submit a report to the legislature
10	that includes the projected amount of the cost variance and
11	reasons for the intended material change.
12	(b) For the purposes of this section, "material change"
13	means:
14	(1) A modification to an expense, program, project, or
15	capital improvement project that totals at least
16	per cent of the total amount appropriated by the
17	legislature for that expense, program, project, or
18	capital improvement project, where the total amount
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1	appropriated by the legislature shall include the
2	portion that is designated for the works of art
3	special fund, pursuant to section 103-8.5; or
4	(2) A modification to the original description, scope, or
5	purpose of an expense, program, project, or capital
6	improvement project."
7	SECTION 2. Section 37-36, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8	amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
9	"(b) Prior to the implementation of any modification in
10	allotment proposed by the director of finance pursuant to
11	subsection (a), in which the sum of the modifications exceed
12	[2.5] per cent of the total general fund appropriation
13	made by the legislature in any fiscal year, the director shall
14	notify the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of
15	representatives, and the chairpersons of the senate committee on
16	ways and means and the house of representatives committee on
17	finance, respectively, of the director's intent. The
18	notification shall not replace the reporting requirement for any
19	material change to an expense, program, project, or capital
20	improvement project for which the legislature has already
21	appropriated funds, pursuant to section 37"

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1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 2

3 This Act shall take effect upon its approval. SECTION 4.

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Report Title:

Modifications to Legislative Appropriations; Reporting

Description:

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Requires the director of finance to report to the legislature the total amount and reasons for any material change to an expense, program, project, or capital improvement project for which the legislature has already appropriated funds. Defines "material change." Amends the threshold for reporting modifications to allotments proposed by the director of finance.

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