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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TELEVISION.

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

1	SECTION 1. The auditor shall conduct an analysis of the
2	allocation of cable operator franchise fees to:
3	(1) Public, education, and government access
4	organizations;
5	(2) Hawaii Public Television Foundation; and
6	(3) The department of commerce and consumer affairs' cable
7	television division,
8	to determine the basis and rationale for the distribution of
9	amounts to each entity for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010.
10	The auditor shall also determine whether the rationale for
11	distribution includes audit costs, and by whom.
12	The auditor shall submit its findings to the legislature no
13	later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular
14	session of 2012.
15	SECTION 2. The auditor shall contract for a performance
16	review or audit of Olelo Community Television to determine the
17	effectiveness with which it implements its programs and uses its
18	allocated resources. The review or audit shall include but not
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be limited to an examination of financial records, overall
 financial health and the use of allocated resources in relation
 to the services provided, programming results and effectiveness,
 and operating expenses.

5 The auditor shall submit its findings and recommendations6 to the legislature prior to July 1, 2012.

7 SECTION 3. The department of commerce and consumer affairs
8 shall make funds from the compliance resolution fund available
9 to the auditor to conduct the contracted performance review or
10 audit required under section 2 of this Act.

SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the compliance resolution fund the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-2012 for the department of commerce and consumer affairs to transfer to the auditor to contract for the performance review or audit specified in section 2 of this Act.

17 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the auditor for18 the purposes of this Act.

19 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

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Report Title: Cable Operator Franchise Fees; Television; Reviews; Audits

Description:

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