

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOURS OF WORK.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that traffic gridlock has
- 2 become an undesirable way of life in Hawaii. The legislature
- 3 also finds that flexible work schedules raise productivity.
- 4 This flexibility gives employees greater freedom to organize
- 5 their working lives to suit personal needs.
- The purpose of this Act is to authorize a change in 6
- business hours for certain executive or judiciary departments to 7
- 8 reduce the number of motor vehicles that are on the road during
- 9 peak commute hours and to provide state employees a more
- 10 flexible work schedule.
- SECTION 2. Section 78-1.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 11
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 "[+]\$78-1.6[+] Office hours. (a) Offices of the State
- and counties shall be open for the transaction of public 14
- business as determined by the chief executive. Offices need not 15
- 16 be open for the transaction of public business on the state
- holidays designated under section 8-1 and as observed under **17**
- 18 section 8-2.



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1	(b)	The	appropriate	chief	executive	shall	bargain	in	good

- 2 <u>faith with the exclusive representative</u>, as defined in section
- 3 89-2, of employees of an agency of the executive branch or
- 4 judiciary who request to modify the hours of the agency for the
- 5 transaction of public business; provided that the modified
- 6 business hours shall consist of nine consecutive hours between
- 7 the hours of 5:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m."
- 8 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

State and County Offices; Office Hours; Modification

Description:

Allows state and county employees to request modified office hours. Mandates that the chief executive bargain in good faith with the employees' exclusive representative.

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