HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013 STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES.

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

1	SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to address financial		
2	disclosures. Specifically, this Act requires financial		
3	disclosures by legislators and certain other state officers and		
4	employees to be filed by February 15 of each year. The		
5	legislature finds that the February 15 filing deadline will		
6	enable the public to better discern whether any legislator or		
7	other state officer or employee has a potential conflict of		
8	interest during a regular legislative session.		
9	SECTION 2. Section 84-17, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
10	amended as follows:		
11	1. By amending subsections (a) and (b) to read:		
12	"(a) For the purposes of this section, the terms:		
13	"Disclosure period" [refers to] means the period from		
14	January 1 to December 31 of the [preceding] calendar year [to]		
15	preceding the [time of] deadline for the filing of the		
16	employee's or legislator's disclosure of financial interests.		



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1	"Substantially the same" refers to no more than ten		
2	amendments or changes to the information reported for the		
3	preceding disclosure period.		
4	(b) The disclosure of financial interest required by this		
5	section shall be filed:		
6	(1) Between January 1 and [May 31] <u>February 15</u> of each		
7	year;		
8	(2) Within thirty days of one's election or appointment to		
9	a state position enumerated in subsection (c); or		
10	(3) Within thirty days of separation from a state position		
11	if a prior financial disclosure statement for the		
12	position was not filed within the one hundred eighty		
13	days preceding the date of separation;		
14	provided that candidates for state elective offices or the		
15	constitutional convention shall file the required statements no		
16	later than twenty days prior to the date of the primary election		
17	for state offices or the election of delegates to the		
18	constitutional convention."		
19	2. By amending subsection (f) to read:		
20	"(f) Candidates for state elective offices, including		
21	candidates for election to the constitutional convention, shall		
22	only be required to disclose their own financial interests. The		
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1 disclosures of financial interests of all other persons
2 designated in subsection (c) shall state, in addition to the
3 financial interests of the person disclosing, the financial
4 interests of the person's spouse and dependent children. All
5 disclosures shall include:

6 The source and amount of all income of \$1,000 or more (1)7 received, for services rendered, by the person in the 8 person's own name or by any other person for the 9 person's use or benefit during the [preceding calendar 10 year] disclosure period and the nature of the services 11 rendered; provided that information that may be 12 privileged by law or individual items of compensation 13 that constitute a portion of the gross income of the 14 business or profession from which the person derives income need not be disclosed; 15

16 (2) The amount and identity of every ownership or
17 beneficial interest held during the disclosure period
18 in any business having a value of \$5,000 or more or
19 equal to ten per cent of the ownership of the business
20 and, if the interest was transferred during the
21 disclosure period, the date of the transfer; provided
22 that an interest in the form of an account in a

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1 federal or state regulated financial institution, an 2 interest in the form of a policy in a mutual insurance 3 company, or individual items in a mutual fund or a 4 blind trust, if the mutual fund or blind trust has 5 been disclosed pursuant to this paragraph, need not be 6 disclosed; 7 (3) Every officership, directorship, trusteeship, or other 8 fiduciary relationship held in a business during the 9 disclosure period, the term of office and the annual 10 compensation; 11 (4)The name of each creditor to whom the value of \$3,000

12 or more was owed during the disclosure period and the 13 original amount and amount outstanding; provided that 14 debts arising out of retail installment transactions 15 for the purchase of consumer goods need not be 16 disclosed;

17 (5) The street address and, if available, the tax map key
18 number, and the value of any real property in which
19 the person holds an interest whose value is \$10,000 or
20 more, and, if the interest was transferred or obtained
21 during the disclosure period, a statement of the
22 amount and nature of the consideration received or



1		paid in exchange for [such] <u>the</u> interest, and the name
2		of the person furnishing or receiving the
3		consideration; provided that disclosure shall not be
4		required of the street address and tax map key number
5		of the person's residence;
6	(6)	The names of clients personally represented before
7		state agencies, except in ministerial matters, for a
8		fee or compensation during the disclosure period and
9		the names of the state agencies involved; and
10	(7)	The amount and identity of every creditor interest in
11		an insolvent business held during the disclosure
12		period having a value of \$5,000 or more."
13	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
14	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
15	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.
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Report Title: Financial Disclosures; Filing Deadline

Description:

Changes the deadline for financial disclosure filings by state legislators and certain other state officers and employees from May 31 to February 15. Amends the definition of "disclosure period" to mean the January to December calendar year prior to the filing deadline.

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