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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 26-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 3 "(d) The Hawaii public housing authority and the Hawaii
- 4 state commission on the status of women are placed within the
- 5 department of human services for administrative purposes
- 6 only [-]; provided that section 26-35(a)(1), (5), and (6) shall
- 7 not apply to the Hawaii public housing authority."
- 8 SECTION 2. Section 356D-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 "[+]\$356D-2[+] Hawaii public housing authority;
- 11 establishment, staff. (a) There is established the Hawaii
- 12 public housing authority to be placed within the department of
- 13 human services for administrative purposes only [-], except as
- 14 provided in section 26-14(d). The authority shall be a public
- 15 body and a body corporate and politic.
- 16 (b) The authority shall employ, exempt from chapter 76 and
- 17 section 26-35(a)(4), an executive director [and], an executive
- 18 assistant[. The executive director shall be paid a salary not

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- 1 to exceed eighty-five-per cent of the salary of the director of
- 2 human resources development. The executive assistant shall be
- 3 paid a salary not to exceed ninety per cent of the executive
- 4 director's salary.], and other key executive management
- 5 personnel whose qualifications shall require public housing
- 6 experience, who shall be paid salaries not to exceed
- 7 compensation limitations imposed by the United States Department
- 8 of Housing and Urban Development. The authority may employ,
- 9 subject to chapter 76, technical experts and officers, agents,
- 10 and employees, permanent or temporary, as required. The
- 11 authority may also employ officers, agents, and employees;
- 12 prescribe their duties and qualifications; and fix their
- 13 salaries, not subject to chapter 76, when in the determination
- 14 of the authority, the services to be performed are unique and
- 15 essential to the execution of the functions of the authority;
- 16 provided that if the authority hires an officer, agent, or
- 17 employee in a capacity not subject to chapter 76, the authority
- 18 shall include in an annual report to the legislature, to be
- 19 submitted not later than twenty days prior to the convening of
- 20 each regular session, the position descriptions and reasons for
- 21 hiring the personnel in a civil service exempt capacity. The
- 22 authority may call upon the attorney general for legal services



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- 1 as it may require. The authority may delegate to one or more of
- 2 its agents or employees the powers and duties it deems proper.
- 3 The employment of all officers, agents, and employees shall be
- 4 exempt from section 26-35(a)(4)."
- 5 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 7 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Hawaii Public Housing Authority; Personnel; Salaries

Description:

Exempts the Hawaii public housing authority from section 26-35(a)(1), (5), and (6), HRS. Authorizes the authority to hire, exempt from chapter 76, HRS, and section 26-35(a)(4), HRS, other key executive management personnel whose qualifications require public housing experience. Requires that the salaries of the executive director, executive assistant, and other key executive management personnel shall not be greater than compensation limitations imposed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Exempts other personnel from section 26-35(a)(4), HRS.

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