A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the University of
- 2 Hawaii has maintained a separate accounting system since 1986,
- 3 which has been compatible with both Hawaii accounting system
- 4 requirements and generally accepted accounting principles. The
- 5 legislature further finds that the University of Hawaii has
- 6 recently upgraded its accounting system through its
- 7 participation in the Kuali financial system consortium, a
- 8 university-based financial management software that better meets
- 9 the unique needs of university systems throughout the United
- 10 States. Since the implementation of Kuali financial system, the
- 11 University of Hawaii continues to provide bi-monthly payroll
- 12 feeds to the state department of accounting and general
- 13 services, in addition to routine and annual financial reports
- 14 that are included in the State of Hawaii's annual consolidated
- 15 financial statements.

1 The purpose of this Act is to extend the authority of the 2 University of Hawaii system to maintain a separate accounting 3 and financial management system that is compatible with the 4 State of Hawaii accounting and financial systems. SECTION 2. Section 40-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 5 6 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 7 "(b) With respect to the executive branch, except the 8 University of Hawaii [until June 30, 2016], the Hawaii tourism 9 authority, and the department of education until June 30, 2015, 10 the comptroller shall have complete supervision of all accounts. 11 The comptroller shall preaudit all proposed payments of \$10,000 12 or more to determine the propriety of expenditures and 13 compliance with executive orders and rules that may be in 14 effect. When necessary, the comptroller shall withhold approval **15** of any payment. Whenever approval is withheld, the department 16 or agency concerned shall be promptly notified. With respect to 17 the University of Hawaii, the Hawaii tourism authority, and the 18 department of education, the comptroller shall issue warrants 19 for the release of funds for the operating costs of the 20 university, the Hawaii tourism authority, or the department of 21 education, as applicable, in amounts and at times mutually

1	agreed	upon	by	the	governor	or	director	of	finance	and	the

- 2 university, the Hawaii tourism authority, or department of
- 3 education, as applicable; provided that:
- 4 (1) The amounts released shall not exceed the allotment
- 5 ceilings for the respective funding sources of the
- 6 university's or the department of education's
- 7 appropriations established by the governor for an
- 8 allotment period pursuant to section 37-34, or in the
- 9 case of the Hawaii tourism authority, revenues
- 10 received by the convention center enterprise special
- fund and the tourism special fund pursuant to section
- 12 237D-6.5; and
- 13 (2) The comptroller may issue warrants as an advance from
- 14 the state treasury to the University of Hawaii, the
- 15 Hawaii tourism authority, and the department of
- 16 education to establish a checking account and provide
- working capital in amounts and at times mutually
- agreed upon by the governor or director of finance and
- 19 the University of Hawaii, the Hawaii tourism
- authority, and the department of education.

- 1 The University of Hawaii and the department of education shall
- 2 preaudit all proposed payments of \$10,000 or more and shall
- 3 preaudit samples of the population of proposed payments of less
- 4 than \$10,000; provided that the sample size comprises at least
- 5 five per cent of the population, and is of a size that the chief
- 6 financial officers of the University of Hawaii and the
- 7 department of education, as applicable, determine appropriate,
- 8 to determine the propriety of expenditures and compliance with
- 9 applicable laws, executive orders, and rules. The Hawaii
- 10 tourism authority shall preaudit all proposed payments to
- 11 determine the propriety of expenditures and compliance with
- 12 applicable laws, executive orders, and rules as may be in
- 13 effect. The University of Hawaii, the Hawaii tourism authority,
- 14 and the department of education shall make disbursements for
- 15 operating expenses from the amounts released by the comptroller
- 16 and maintain records and documents necessary to support those
- 17 disbursements at times mutually agreed upon by the university
- 18 president, the executive director of the Hawaii tourism
- 19 authority, or the superintendent of education, as applicable,
- 20 and the comptroller; provided that when requested by the
- 21 university, the Hawaii tourism authority, or department of



- 1 education, the comptroller shall make all disbursements for the
- 2 university, the Hawaii tourism authority, or department of
- 3 education, as applicable, subject to available allotment. Funds
- 4 released pursuant to this section shall be deposited by the
- 5 university, the Hawaii tourism authority, or department of
- 6 education, as applicable, in accordance with the provisions
- 7 applicable to the director of finance by chapter 38. Except for
- 8 moneys deposited by the Hawaii tourism authority in the
- 9 convention center enterprise special fund pursuant to section
- 10 201B-8, and in the tourism special fund pursuant to section
- 11 201B-11, any interest earned on the deposit of funds released
- 12 pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the state
- 13 treasury at the end of each fiscal year."
- 14 SECTION 3. Section 40-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 15 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- 16 "(a) The accounting system installed by the commission on
- 17 public accountancy under Act 181, Session Laws of Hawaii 1923,
- 18 as amended by Act 220, Session Laws of Hawaii 1925, for use in
- 19 the offices of the comptroller, director of finance,
- 20 departmental and agency services of the State, and the auditors,
- 21 treasurers, departmental and agency services of the several



- 1 counties shall be the accounting and reporting systems of the
- 2 State and counties; provided that the University of Hawaii [-
- 3 until June 30, 2016, may install a different accounting system
- 4 that shall be in conformity with generally accepted accounting
- 5 principles as applied to colleges and universities[; and
- 6 provided further that the department of education, until June
- 7 30, 2011, may install a different accounting system that shall
- 8 be in conformity to generally accepted accounting principles].
- 9 The comptroller shall make [such] changes and modifications in
- 10 the accounting system [as shall from time to time appear to be]
- 11 that are in the best interest of the State and counties."
- 12 SECTION 4. Section 40-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 13 amended to read as follows:
- 14 "§40-4 Publication of statements. The comptroller shall
- 15 prepare and submit to the governor, immediately following the
- 16 close of each fiscal year, a statement of income and expenditure
- 17 by funds, showing the principal sources of revenue, the function
- 18 or purpose for which expenditures were made, together with a
- 19 consolidated statement showing similar information for all
- 20 funds; also a statement showing the balance in each fund at the
- 21 beginning of the fiscal year, plus the receipts, minus the



- 1 disbursements, and the balance on hand at the close of the
- 2 fiscal year after deducting outstanding warrants and vouchers.
- 3 The comptroller may request all agencies, the judiciary, the
- 4 University of Hawaii [until June 30, 2016], the Hawaii tourism
- 5 authority, [the department of education until June 30, 2011,]
- 6 and the legislature to provide such information as may be
- 7 required for the preparation of statements."
- 8 SECTION 5. Section 40-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 "§40-6 Approval of business and accounting forms. The
- 11 comptroller shall determine the forms required to adequately
- 12 supply accounting and statistical data for the state government.
- 13 The comptroller shall require heads of departments and
- 14 establishments of the state government to submit proposed new
- 15 forms or proposed changes in current business and accounting
- 16 forms for review and approval before ordering the same printed;
- 17 except that the University of Hawaii [until June 30, 2016,] and
- 18 the Hawaii tourism authority[, and the department of education
- 19 until June 30, 2011, shall be subject to this requirement only
- 20 with respect to uniform business and accounting forms of
- 21 statewide use in the State's accounting system. All standard



1 state forms shall be classified, numbered, and standardized in 2 design, dimensions, color, and grade of paper and recorded in a 3 catalogue of accounting and statistical forms by the 4 comptroller." 5 SECTION 6. Section 40-58, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 6 amended to read as follows: 7 "§40-58 In favor of assignees. No assignment of moneys by 8 a person to whom the State is directly indebted shall be 9 effective unless the assignment is first approved by the **10** comptroller or, in the case of the University of Hawaii [until 11 June 30, 2016, and the department of education until June 30, **12** 2011], by [their respective] the chief financial [officers.] officer. The comptroller or the chief financial [officers] 13 14 officer of the University of Hawaii [and the department of 15 education] may prescribe the form for an assignment[7] and may **16** approve the assignment within a reasonable time period if, in 17 their respective discretion, the rights or obligations of the 18 State[7] or the University of Hawaii[7 or the department of 19 education] under any contract or other undertaking or under any 20

law, rule, or order by a competent authority will not be

prejudiced thereby. Upon approval of the assignment, the

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- 1 comptroller or the respective chief financial [officers] officer
- 2 of the University of Hawaii [and the department of education]
- 3 shall draw a warrant payable to the assignee. Except as to
- 4 contracts encumbered by the comptroller [-] or the University of
- 5 Hawaii, [or the department of education,] each expending agency,
- 6 upon notification of the comptroller's approval of an
- 7 assignment, shall prepare a claim for payment in accordance with
- 8 the terms of the assignment."
- 9 SECTION 7. Section 40-81, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 "§40-81 Report by agencies receiving special moneys. All
- 12 state officers, departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, or
- 13 agencies collecting or receiving any moneys not required by law
- 14 to be deposited in the state treasury shall report to the
- 15 comptroller all receipts and disbursements on account thereof
- 16 for each quarterly period of the calendar year not later than
- 17 the fifteenth day following the end of each quarterly period on
- 18 such forms and under such rules as may be prescribed by the
- 19 comptroller; provided that with respect to all moneys held
- 20 outside the state treasury by the University of Hawaii [until
- 21 June 30, 2016, or the department of education until June 30,



- 1 2011, pursuant to the authority granted to the university [and
- 2 the department of education] by this chapter, the University of
- 3 Hawaii [and the department of education] shall report to the
- 4 comptroller all transactions for each quarterly period not later
- 5 than the fifteenth day following the end of each quarterly
- 6 period on [such] forms and under [such] rules as may be
- 7 prescribed by the comptroller."
- 8 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 10 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect on June 29, 2015;
- 11 provided that the amendments made under this Act to sections 40-
- 12 1, 40-4, and 40-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall not be
- 13 repealed when those sections are reenacted on June 30, 2015, by
- 14 section 5 of Act 102, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010.

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Repeals sunset provisions with respect to accounting and fiscal management requirements relating to the University of Hawaii.

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