
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DISCLOSURES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 84-17.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§84-17.5 Disclosure files; disposition[-]; copy available**
4 **to governor, board or commission members, and executive**

5 **director.** (a) All financial disclosure statements filed by a
6 legislator, employee, or delegate to a constitutional convention
7 shall be maintained by the state ethics commission during the
8 term of office of the legislator, employee, or delegate and for
9 a period of six years thereafter. Upon the expiration of the
10 six-year period, the financial disclosure statement and all
11 copies thereof shall be destroyed.

12 (b) Upon the expiration of six years after an election for
13 which a candidate for state elective office or a constitutional
14 convention has filed a financial disclosure statement, the state
15 ethics commission shall destroy the candidate's financial
16 disclosure statement and all copies thereof.



1 (c) Financial disclosure statements provided for in
2 section 84-17(d) shall cease to be public records once the six-
3 year period in subsection (a) or (b) has run.

4 (d) Nothing herein shall bar the state ethics commission
5 from retaining a financial disclosure statement or copy of a
6 financial disclosure statement that has become part of a charge
7 case or advisory opinion request, or is part of an ongoing
8 investigation.

9 (e) The state ethics commission shall make available to
10 the governor, the executive director of the applicable agency
11 who is a member of the state board or commission, and every
12 other member of the board or commission, who is required to file
13 a disclosure of financial interests under section 84-17, a copy
14 of the current financial disclosure statement of current members
15 of that board or commission; provided that copies of any
16 financial disclosure statement made available pursuant to this
17 subsection shall be held in the strictest confidence at all
18 times.

19 Any person who releases financial disclosure statements or
20 confidential information contained therein shall be subject to
21 sections 84-31 and 84-39.



1 On the expiration date of a member's term of office, all
2 copies of that member's financial disclosure statement that were
3 made available to the governor, executive director, or other
4 members of the board or commission pursuant to this subsection
5 shall be destroyed by the governor, executive director, and
6 other members."

7 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Boards and Commissions; Financial Disclosures; Conflicts of Interest

Description:

Requires the state ethics commission to provide a confidential copy of board and commission members' most recent financial disclosures to the governor, all other members of the filer's board or commission, and executive director of the applicable agency. Requires the recipients of the disclosures to maintain the confidentiality of the disclosures. (SD1)

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