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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) The auditor shall conduct a performance
2 audit of the following offices and programs within the
3 department of public safety:

- 4 (1) The office of the director;
5 (2) The civil rights compliance office;
6 (3) The personnel management office;
7 (4) The fiscal office; and
8 (5) The health care services division's mental health
9 services.

10 (b) The audit shall include but not be limited to a review
11 of the following:

- 12 (1) Hiring, staffing, and supervisory policies and
13 practices, including:
14 (A) Whether applicants and employees are adequately
15 screened and qualified;
16 (B) Actual and perceived conflicts of interest and
17 favoritism among and between employees and



supervisors, including conflicts due to familial
and personal relationships; and

(C) Employee morale;

(2) Handling and disposition of internal complaints made
and lawsuits filed by current or former employees;

(3) Contracting and procurement policies and practices,
including:

(A) Whether contractors and vendors are adequately
screened and qualified;

(B) Compliance with state and federal laws; and

(C) Whether contracts were steered toward contractors
and vendors due to familial and personal
relationships; and

(4) The ability of the department to provide necessary
mental health services to inmates and pre-trial
detainees, including whether the department is taking
adequate steps to fill staffing vacancies related to
the provision of mental health services.

SECTION 2. The auditor shall submit a report on the
performance audit, including the auditor's findings,
recommendations, and proposed legislation, if necessary, to the



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1 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
2 the regular session of 2019.

3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$100,000 or so much
5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the
6 auditor to conduct a performance audit of the department of
7 public safety pursuant to this Act.

8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the auditor for
9 the purposes of this Act.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

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Report Title:

Auditor; Performance Audit; DPS; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Auditor to conduct a performance audit of certain offices and programs within the Department of Public Safety.

Appropriates funds.

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