## S.B. NO. <u>899</u>

### JAN 2 5 2017

### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE.

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

- SECTION 1. Section 91-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

  amended by amending the definitions of "persons" and "party" to

  read as follows:

  "(2) "Persons" includes individuals, partnerships,
- corporations, associations, <u>agencies</u>, or public or private organizations [of any character other than agencies].
- SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
  matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
  begun before its effective date.
- 15 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: WHAT

2 BY REQUEST

### Report Title:

Administrative Procedure; Definition of "Persons"

### Description:

Includes "agencies" within the definition of "persons".

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#### JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT:

Attorney General

TITLE:

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE

PROCEDURE.

PURPOSE:

To include "agencies" within the definition

of "persons" to allow agencies greater

opportunity to participate in administrative

procedure.

MEANS:

Amend section 91-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

JUSTIFICATION:

This is a housekeeping measure that will provide opportunity for agencies and counties to participate in rule making, judicial declaration of validity of rules,

and declaratory rulings.

Impact on the public: Provide the public a fuller vetting of administrative procedure.

Impact on the department and other agencies: Would afford opportunity to all agencies and counties to participate in or petition for adoption, amendment or repeal of rules, obtain judicial declaration of validity of rules, and petition for declaratory rulings.

GENERAL FUND:

None.

OTHER FUNDS:

None.

PPBS PROGRAM DESIGNATION:

OTHER AFFECTED

AGENCIES:

Agriculture, Attorney General, Budget and Finance, Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Business, Economic Development & Tourism, Education, Hawaiian Home Lands, Health, Human Resources Development, Human Services, Labor and Industrial Relations, Land and

Natural Resources, Land Use Commission, Lieutenant Governor, Public Safety, Taxation, Transportation, University of Hawaii, and counties.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon approval.