

JAN 18 2019

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The auditor shall conduct a performance,
2 financial, and procurement audit of the disability determination
3 branch of the department of human services and present findings
4 and recommendations to the legislature, as appropriate.

5 SECTION 2. The audit shall include an examination of the
6 management and operations of the disability determination branch
7 of the department of human services, including but not limited
8 to the:

9 (1) Methods, procedures, and criteria used by the
10 disability determination branch to make eligibility
11 determinations;

12 (2) Factors contributing to the extended processing times
13 for disability eligibility applications and subsequent
14 determinations;

15 (3) Internal operations at the disability determination
16 branch, specifically with respect to any management
17 policies or directives that may influence staff to



1 make eligibility determinations quickly and without
2 thorough evaluation of applications and supporting
3 documentation;

4 (4) Actual processing times for disability eligibility
5 applications; and

6 (5) Funds expended by the disability determination branch
7 and whether those expenditures were in compliance with
8 laws.

9 SECTION 3. The auditor shall submit to the legislature a
10 report of its findings and recommendations, including any
11 proposed legislation, no later than twenty days prior to the
12 convening of the regular session of 2020.

13 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 to conduct
16 a performance, financial, and procurement audit of the
17 disability determination branch of the department of human
18 services.

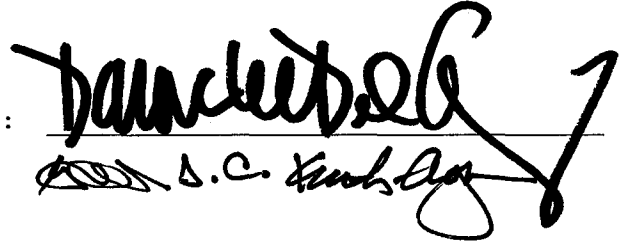
19 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the auditor for
20 the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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S.B. NO. 492

Report Title:

DHS; Disability Determination Branch; Audit; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Auditor to conduct a performance, financial, and procurement audit of the Department of Human Services Disability Determination Branch. Appropriates funds.

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