THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII S.B. NO. 187

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RECORD DISPOSITION.

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

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to provide greater
uniformity, flexibility, and efficiency in handling and
maintaining state ethics commission records.

4 SECTION 2. Section 84-17.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 5 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows: 6 "(a) All financial disclosure statements filed by a 7 legislator, employee, or delegate to a constitutional convention 8 shall be maintained by the state ethics commission for a period 9 of six years from the date of the financial disclosure 10 statement's filing. Upon the expiration of the six-year period, 11 the financial disclosure statement and all copies thereof 12 [shall] may be destroyed.

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



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1	SECTION 3. Section 97-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended to read as follows:
3	"§97-4 Manner of filing; public records. All statements
4	required by this chapter to be filed with the state ethics
5	commission:
6	(1) Shall be deemed properly filed when delivered or
7	deposited in an established post office within the
8	prescribed time; duly stamped, registered, or
9	certified; and directed to the state ethics
10	commission; provided that in the event it is not
11	received, a duplicate of the statement shall be
12	promptly filed upon notice by the state ethics
13	commission of its nonreceipt; and
14	(2) Shall be maintained by the state ethics commission for
15	a period of <u>no less than</u> six years from the date of
16	filing; and shall constitute part of the public
17	records of the state ethics commission."
18	SECTION 4. This Act shall apply to all disclosures that
19	were filed before the effective date of this Act and that are in
20	the state ethics commission's possession and control.



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SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

State Ethics Commission Package; Financial Disclosures; Records

Description:

Provides the State Ethics Commission with the discretion to maintain or destroy records of financial disclosure statements beyond the current 6-year statutory requirement. Applies retroactively to applicable disclosures that are in the Commission's possession and control.

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