### THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. <sup>1122</sup> s.D. 1

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE.

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

SECTION 1. Section 26-31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
amended to read as follows:

3 "§26-31 Selection and terms of single executives as heads 4 of departments [-]; selection of deputy directors of departments. 5 (a) Except as otherwise provided by the Constitution of the 6 State or by this chapter, each principal department shall be 7 headed by a single executive, who shall be nominated and, by and 8 with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed by the 9 governor, for a term to expire at the end of the term for which 10 the governor was elected. A vacancy occurring during a term 11 shall be filled for the unexpired balance of the term, subject 12 to the provisions of [Article] article V, section 6 of the 13 Constitution of the State. The governor may remove a single 14 executive from office at any time, except that the removal of 15 the attorney general shall be subject to the advice and consent of the senate. 16

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| 1  | (b) Except as otherwise provided by the Hawaii State             |  |  |
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| 2  | Constitution or by this chapter, the deputy director; first      |  |  |
| 3  | deputy; or deputy chair, as the case may be, of each principal   |  |  |
| 4  | department and multiple deputy directors; first deputies; deputy |  |  |
| 5  | chairs, as the case may be, for each department that has         |  |  |
| 6  | multiple individuals who serve in the same role shall be         |  |  |
| 7  | nominated and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, |  |  |
| 8  | appointed by the governor; single executive of a principal       |  |  |
| 9  | department; or the chair of the board, commission, or other      |  |  |
| 10 | body, as the case may be."                                       |  |  |
| 11 | SECTION 2. Section 84-17, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is            |  |  |
| 12 | amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:           |  |  |
| 13 | "(b) The disclosure of financial interest required by this       |  |  |
| 14 | section shall be filed:  |  |  |
| 15 | (1) By any person enumerated in subsection (c), except a         |  |  |
| 16 | member of the legislature, between January 1 and                 |  |  |
| 17 | May 31 of each year;   |  |  |
| 18 | (2) By a member of the legislature between January 1 and         |  |  |
| 19 | January 31 of each year;   |  |  |

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| 1  | (3)   | Within thirty days of a person's election or            |  |
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| 2  |   | appointment to a state position enumerated in           |  |
| 3  |   | subsection (c); [ <del>or</del> ]                       |  |
| 4  | (4)   | Within thirty days of a person's nomination to any      |  |
| 5  |   | state position enumerated in subsection (d) that is     |  |
| 6  |   | subject to the advice and consent of the senate; or     |  |
| 7  | [ <del>(4)</del> ]  | (5) Within thirty days of separation from a state       |  |
| 8  |   | position if a prior financial disclosure statement for  |  |
| 9  |   | the position was not filed within the one hundred       |  |
| 10 |   | eighty days preceding the date of separation;           |  |
| 11 | provided  | that candidates for state elective offices or the       |  |
| 12 | constitutional convention shall file the required statements no |   |  |
| 13 | later tha   | n twenty days prior to the date of the primary election |  |
| 14 | for state offices or the election of delegates to the           |   |  |
| 15 | constitutional convention."                                     |   |  |
| 16 | SECT  | ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed   |  |
| 17 | and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.            |   |  |
| 18 | SECT  | ION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.    |  |



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Report Title:

State Departments; Deputy Directors; Senate Advice and Consent

#### Description:

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Requires nominees for the position of Deputy Director, First Deputy, or Deputy Chair, as the case may be, of principal departments and multiple deputy directors; first deputies; deputy chairs, as the case may be, for each department that has multiple individuals who serve in the same role to be subject to the advice and consent of the Senate. Requires a person to file a disclosure of financial interest within thirty days of a person's nomination to any state position enumerated in section 84-17(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes, that is subject to the advice and consent of the Senate. (SD1)

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