
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BUDGET-RELATED SUBMISSIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that legislative staff
2 spend weeks at the start of each legislative session
3 transcribing the proposed budgets of the executive branch,
4 judicial branch, and office of Hawaiian affairs into a form that
5 is presentable to the public. This transcription may lead to
6 clerical, typographical, or other errors that obfuscate
7 budgetary intentions. This process also consumes critical time
8 that could be better spent analyzing and contextualizing each
9 request in the proposed budget.

10 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to provide the
11 legislature with the authority to prescribe the forms, in a form
12 agreed to by the speaker of the house of representatives and the
13 president of the senate, of budget requests for the executive
14 branch, judicial branch, and office of Hawaiian affairs, similar
15 to the authority provided to the legislature by section 248-4,
16 Hawaii Revised Statutes, to prescribe the form of county budget
17 requests.



1 SECTION 2. Section 10-14.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) The budget, six-year program and financial plan, and
4 the variance report of the office of Hawaiian affairs shall be
5 submitted by the board to the legislature and to each member
6 thereof in accordance with the budget submission schedule
7 specified for the governor in chapter 37 and shall contain the
8 program information specified in that chapter that is applicable
9 to the office of Hawaiian affairs[~~.—Not~~] in a form that is
10 prescribed by the legislature, upon the agreement of form by the
11 speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the
12 senate. No less than twenty days prior to the convening of each
13 regular session of the legislature, the office of Hawaiian
14 affairs shall submit to the legislature an accounting of the
15 expenditures made in the prior fiscal year, by account code and
16 budget program. By November 1 of each year preceding a
17 legislative session in which a budget is to be submitted, the
18 board shall provide written notification to the governor of the
19 proposed total expenditures, by cost categories and sources of
20 funding, and estimated revenues of the office of Hawaiian
21 affairs for each fiscal year of the next fiscal biennium."



1 SECTION 3. Section 37-71, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) [~~Not~~] No fewer than thirty days before the
4 legislature convenes in every odd-numbered year, the governor
5 shall submit to the legislature and to each member thereof a
6 budget that shall contain the program and budget recommendations
7 of the governor for the succeeding two fiscal years[-] in a form
8 prescribed by the legislature, upon the agreement of form by the
9 speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the
10 senate. The budget, in general, shall contain:

- 11 (1) The state program structure;
12 (2) Statements of statewide objectives;
13 (3) The financial requirements for the next two fiscal
14 years to carry out the recommended programs; and
15 (4) A summary of state receipts and revenues in the last
16 completed fiscal year, a revised estimate for the
17 fiscal year in progress, and an estimate for the
18 succeeding biennium."

19 SECTION 4. Section 37-72, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:



1 "(a) [~~Not~~] No fewer than thirty days before the
2 legislature convenes in regular session in an even-numbered
3 year, the governor may submit to the legislature a supplemental
4 budget to amend any appropriation for the current fiscal
5 biennium[-] in a form prescribed by the legislature, upon the
6 agreement of form by the speaker of the house of representatives
7 and the president of the senate. The supplemental budget shall
8 reflect the changes being proposed in the State's program and
9 financial plan and shall be submitted as applicable, in the
10 manner provided in section 37-71. In any supplemental budget
11 that proposes appropriations for which the source of funding is
12 general obligation bonds, the budget shall include the schedule,
13 declaration, and computation specified in section 37-71(d)(6)."

14 SECTION 5. Section 37-92, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 amended as follows:

16 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:

17 "(a) The governor shall submit a plan of proposed
18 appropriations for the State to the legislature which shall
19 accompany the state budget in odd-numbered years and the
20 supplemental budget in even-numbered years. The plan of
21 proposed appropriations shall be in a form prescribed by the



1 legislature, upon the agreement of form by the speaker of the
2 house of representatives and the president of the senate, and
3 include the executive budget, proposed grants to private
4 entities, and any specific appropriation measures to be proposed
5 by the executive branch, and estimates of the aggregate proposed
6 appropriations of the judicial and legislative branches of
7 government. In any year in which the plan of proposed
8 appropriations from the general fund exceeds the expenditure
9 ceiling, the governor shall set forth the dollar amount, the
10 rate by which the expenditure ceiling would be exceeded, and the
11 reasons for proposing appropriations in excess of those allowed
12 under the expenditure ceiling."

13 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:

14 "(c) The governor shall submit a plan of proposed
15 appropriations for the executive branch to the legislature which
16 shall accompany the state budget in odd-numbered years and the
17 supplemental budget in even-numbered years. The plan of
18 proposed appropriations shall be in a form prescribed by the
19 legislature, upon the agreement of form by the speaker of the
20 house of representatives and the president of the senate, and
21 include the executive budget, proposed grants to private



1 entities, and any specific appropriation measures to be proposed
2 by the executive branch."

3 3. By amending subsection (f) to read:

4 "(f) The chief justice shall submit a plan of proposed
5 appropriations of the judicial branch to the legislature which
6 shall accompany the judiciary biennial budget in odd-numbered
7 years and the supplemental budget in even-numbered years. The
8 plan of proposed appropriations shall be in a form prescribed by
9 the legislature, upon the agreement of form by the speaker of
10 the house of representatives and the president of the senate,
11 and include the judiciary budget, proposed grants to private
12 entities, and any specific appropriation measures to be proposed
13 by the judicial branch."

14 SECTION 6. The executive branch, judicial branch, and
15 office of Hawaiian affairs shall conform to this Act no later
16 than December 1, 2023.

17 SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

19 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 3000.



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Description:

Authorizes the legislature, upon the agreement of form by the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate, to specify the form in which the proposed budgets of the executive branch, judicial branch, and office of Hawaiian affairs are submitted to the legislature. Requires the executive branch, judicial branch, and office of Hawaiian affairs to conform no later than 12/1/2023. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

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