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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO UNFAIR AND DECEPTIVE PRACTICES.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 481B, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	" <u>§481B-</u> Digital application subscription plans; price
5	<b>increases.</b> (a) No digital application developer or digital
6	application distribution platform shall increase the price of a
7	digital application subscription plan that is automatically
8	billed to the user's account without first obtaining the user's
9	written consent.
10	(b) For the purposes of this section:
11	"Digital application" means any application software
12	program or group of programs designed to be downloaded or
13	accessed on an electronic device, including a computer,
14	smartphone, tablet, watch, or any other similar device.
15	"Digital application developer" means the creator of a
16	digital application made available for download by end users
17	through a digital application distribution platform or other



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1	digital distribution platform.
2	"Digital application distribution platform" means a digital
3	distribution platform for applications and services provided to
4	a user on an electronic device including a computer, smartphone,
5	tablet, watch, or other similar device.
6	"User" means a person in the State who downloads or
7	accesses a digital application."
8	SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
9	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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#### Report Title:

Digital Applications; Subscription Plans; Price Increases; Prohibited

### Description:

Prohibits digital application developers and digital application distribution platforms from increasing the price of a digital application subscription plan that is automatically billed to the user's account without obtaining the user's written consent.

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