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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended  
2 by adding a new subpart to part VII to be appropriately  
3 designated and to read as follows:

4           "       **HAWAII ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

5           **§27-       Purpose.** The purpose of the Hawaii artificial  
6 intelligence advisory council is to recommend an action plan,  
7 updated annually as necessary, and advise the legislature to  
8 guide awareness, education, policy, and usage of artificial  
9 intelligence in the State that aligns with the State's policies  
10 and goals and supports public employees in the efficient and  
11 effective delivery of public service.

12          **§27-       Definitions.** As used in this subpart:

13          "Advisory council" means the Hawaii artificial intelligence  
14 advisory council.

15          "Artificial intelligence" means models and systems capable  
16 of performing functions generally associated with human  
17 intelligence, including reasoning and learning.



1           **§27- Hawaii artificial intelligence advisory council;**  
2 **establishment; members.** (a) There is established within the  
3 department of accounting and general services, for  
4 administrative purposes, the Hawaii artificial intelligence  
5 advisory council.

6           (b) The members of the advisory council shall include the  
7 following individuals or their designees:

- 8           (1) The chief information officer, who shall serve as  
9           co-chair;
- 10          (2) The director of finance, who shall serve as co-chair;
- 11          (3) The attorney general;
- 12          (4) The comptroller;
- 13          (5) The director of human resources development;
- 14          (6) The director of business, economic development, and  
15          tourism;
- 16          (7) The superintendent of education;
- 17          (8) The director of labor and industrial relations;
- 18          (9) The director of commerce and consumer affairs;
- 19          (10) The director of law enforcement;
- 20          (11) The chief data officer;



1 (12) The executive director and chief executive officer of  
2 the Hawaii technology development corporation;

3 (13) The executive director of the economic research  
4 organization at the university of Hawaii;

5 (14) Two members appointed by the president of the senate;  
6 and

7 (15) Two members appointed by the speaker of the house of  
8 representatives.

9 (c) The advisory council shall include seven additional  
10 members who shall be invited to participate by the governor,  
11 including members having an interest or experience in:

12 (1) Local government;

13 (2) Higher education;

14 (3) Workforce development;

15 (4) A business in the State that is likely to be impacted  
16 by artificial intelligence;

17 (5) Artificial intelligence development;

18 (6) Academics with a concentration or expertise in  
19 technology policy; and

20 (7) Law enforcement.



1 (d) If there is a vacancy on the advisory council, the co-  
2 chairs shall notify the respective appointing authority, who  
3 shall then appoint a person to fill the vacancy.

4 (e) The co-chairs shall convene all meetings, and the  
5 advisory council shall meet no less than four times each  
6 calendar year. The co-chairs may establish subcommittees of the  
7 advisory council's members as necessary to ensure the council's  
8 effective and efficient operation.

9 (f) The members of the advisory council shall serve  
10 without compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses,  
11 including reasonable travel expenses, necessary for the  
12 performance of their duties.

13 **§27- Assistance.** All state departments and agencies  
14 shall cooperate with the advisory council in carrying out its  
15 duties and shall provide support or other assistance as  
16 reasonably requested. The advisory council may consult with  
17 other persons and organizations with expertise related to  
18 artificial intelligence, government infrastructure, and economic  
19 development."



1 SECTION 2. Chapter 27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended  
2 by designating sections 27-41 to 27-46 as subpart A and  
3 inserting a title before section 27-41 to read as follows:

4 **"A. Enterprise Technology Services; Broadband-Related Permits"**

5 SECTION 3. Sections 27-41.1 and 27-43(a), Hawaii Revised  
6 Statutes, are amended by substituting the words "this subpart",  
7 or similar term, wherever the words "this part", or similar  
8 term, appears, as the context requires.

9 SECTION 4. (a) As used in this Act:

10 "Advisory council" means the Hawaii artificial intelligence  
11 advisory council established pursuant to section 1 of this Act.

12 "Artificial intelligence" means models and systems capable  
13 of performing functions generally associated with human  
14 intelligence, including reasoning and learning.

15 (b) The advisory council shall develop an action plan  
16 addressing how to:

- 17 (1) Competitively position the State to ensure its
- 18 residents capture the full economic benefits from
- 19 artificial intelligence opportunities;
- 20 (2) Responsibly use artificial intelligence to improve the
- 21 efficiency of state and local government services; and



1 (3) Ensure that artificial intelligence vendors in the  
2 State abide by certain standards of responsible use.

3 (c) The advisory council shall submit to the legislature a  
4 status report on the council's activities and progress no later  
5 than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session  
6 of 2026.

7 (d) No later than December 31, 2026, the advisory council  
8 shall submit to the governor and legislature an interim report  
9 containing, at minimum, the following findings and  
10 recommendations:

11 (1) The current state of artificial intelligence and its  
12 likely impact on the State's labor market conditions;

13 (2) How the labor market impact might reshape the State's  
14 key industries, occupations, and foundational  
15 skillsets;

16 (3) Initiatives to stimulate economic growth, create jobs,  
17 and enhance talent development in the face of  
18 artificial intelligence-related changes;

19 (4) Recommended legal regulations or policy changes needed  
20 to ensure the responsible and ethical use of



- 1           artificial intelligence in the State, while protecting  
2           the rights of Hawaii residents;
- 3           (5) Ways to encourage artificial intelligence innovation  
4           and entrepreneurship and strategies to support workers  
5           displaced by artificial intelligence;
- 6           (6) Proposed policy changes related to workforce  
7           development, educational systems, and research  
8           opportunities for colleges and universities in the  
9           State; and
- 10          (7) Recommended strategies to promote transparency and  
11          accountability for using artificial intelligence  
12          technologies, including accountability for artificial  
13          intelligence vendors, by measuring, monitoring, and  
14          reporting outcomes and progress.
- 15          (e) No later than December 31, 2027, the advisory council  
16          shall submit to the governor and legislature a final report and  
17          action plan that includes, at a minimum, the following:
- 18          (1) Principles and values to guide artificial intelligence  
19          use in state and county governments and among  
20          artificial intelligence vendors in the State;



1 (2) A governance framework with policies, procedures, and  
 2 processes for the development, deployment, and use of  
 3 artificial intelligence by state and county  
 4 governments;

5 (3) A risk analysis of potential threats to the State's  
 6 key infrastructure from artificial intelligence  
 7 technologies;

8 (4) Recommendations for competitively positioning the  
 9 State, including artificial intelligence vendors in  
 10 the State, to ensure residents capture the full  
 11 economic benefits from artificial intelligence  
 12 opportunities; and

13 (5) Recommendations for responsibly using artificial  
 14 intelligence to improve the efficiency of state and  
 15 local government services.

16 (f) There is established within the department of  
 17 accounting and general services full-time equivalent  
 18 ( FTE) permanent positions to assist the advisory council in  
 19 carrying out its duties pursuant to this Act, including:

20 (1) full-time equivalent ( FTE) permanent  
 21 management analyst position; and



1 (2) full-time equivalent ( FTE) permanent  
2 clerical or secretarial position.

3 (g) The advisory council may procure consultancy services  
4 pursuant to chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to assist  
5 with the research and development of the action plan and any  
6 other reasonable assistance as determined by a majority of the  
7 advisory council.

8 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general  
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
10 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and  
11 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
12 year 2026-2027 for the purposes of this Act, including:

- 13 (1) The hiring of full-time equivalent ( FTE)  
14 permanent positions;
- 15 (2) The procurement of consultancy services; and
- 16 (3) Administrative and operating costs of the advisory  
17 council, including reasonable travel expenses and  
18 office supplies.

19 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
20 of accounting and general services for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000, and  
2 shall be repealed on December 31, 2027.



**Report Title:**

Artificial Intelligence; Advisory Council; Economic Development;  
Workforce; Labor; Education; Policy; Action Plan; Report;  
Appropriation; Positions

**Description:**

Establishes the Hawaii Artificial Intelligence Advisory Council.  
Requires an action plan and reports to the Governor and  
Legislature by certain dates. Establishes positions.  
Authorizes the hiring of consultants to assist the advisory  
council. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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