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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DIGITAL ASSETS.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) The department of commerce and consumer
2 affairs' division of financial institutions shall collaborate
3 with the Hawaii technology development corporation to conduct a
4 two-year study on how to establish a state-level regulatory
5 framework for digital assets. The study shall:
6 (1) Gather data to establish a state-level regulatory
7 framework for digital assets;
8 (2) Develop a regulatory framework into which payment
9 stablecoin issuers could opt-in; and
10 (3) Explore economic opportunities that may arise with a
11 state-regulated stablecoin marketplace.
12 (b) The department of commerce and consumer affairs'
13 division of financial institutions and Hawaii technology
14 development corporation shall submit a joint report of findings
15 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
16 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
17 the regular session of 2029.



1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so .
3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2026-2027 for
4 the department of commerce and consumer affair's division of
5 financial institutions to conduct a two-year study to gather
6 data to establish a state-level regulatory framework for
7 stablecoin digital assets, including but not limited to:
8 (1) The hiring of consultants or contractors;
9 (2) Equipment; and
10 (3) Technology costs.

11 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
12 commerce and consumer affairs for the purposes of this Act;
13 provided that the appropriation shall not lapse at the end of
14 fiscal year 2026-2027; provided further that all moneys that are
15 unencumbered as of June 30, 2028, shall lapse as of that date.

16 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

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INTRODUCED BY: 



S.B. NO. 2493

Report Title:

DCCA; HTDC; Division of Financial Institutions; Study; Digital Assets; Stablecoin; Regulatory Framework; Report; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' Division of Financial Institutions and Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to conduct a two-year study to gather data on how to establish a state-level regulatory framework for stablecoin digital assets. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.

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