

A Bill for an Act Relating to Claims for Legislative Relief.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. Section 37-77, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**“§37-77 Claims for legislative relief.** All claims for refunds, reimbursements, or other payments, authorization for which is sought from the legislature, shall, as a condition to their being considered by the legislature, be filed in quadruplicate with the director of finance at least thirty days prior to the convening of the legislature, together with quadruplicates of all data and documents in support thereof. In the absence of a showing of sufficient reason therefor, failure to comply with this paragraph shall be deemed sufficient cause for refusal of the legislature to consider the claims.

The director shall, immediately upon receipt thereof, refer any claim and data so received by him to the agency concerned, and the agency to which the reference is made shall immediately investigate the claim, secure in triplicate all available data and documents bearing thereon, and refer the same back to the director with its recommendations thereon. The director shall then forward the claim to the attorney general, who shall review the claim, make a recommendation as to the disposition of the claim and inform the director of the recommendation. The attorney general

shall, within five days after the opening of the session, transmit to the legislature the claims which are recommended for approval in an appropriate legislative bill form, together with all the data and documents substantiating each claim. All claims for which there is a recommendation of denial shall also be reported to the legislature.”

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.\*

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 12, 1981.)

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\*The text has been edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5, authorizing omission of the brackets, bracketed material, and underscoring.