

A Bill for an Act Relating to Public Utilities.

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

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to redesignate the Public Utilities Division as the Division of Consumer Advocacy.

SECTION 2. Section 269-52, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“[[§ 269-52]] [Public utilities division] Division of consumer advocacy; personnel. There shall be a [public utilities] division of consumer advocacy within the department of regulatory agencies to provide administrative support to the director of regulatory agencies acting in [his] the capacity as consumer advocate. The director may employ and at pleasure dismiss an executive administrator, who shall be exempt from chapters 76 and 77, and may define [his] the executive administrator's powers and duties and fix [his] the compensation. The director may employ such engineers, accountants, investigators, clerks, stenographers, and other assistants as may be necessary for the performance of the consumer advocate's functions, subject to chapters 76 and 77.”

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 13, 1982.)