
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENHANCED 911 BOARD.

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

1 SECTION 1. The enhanced 911 board was created to collect
2 and expend funds so that the public safety answering points
3 would be able to install and maintain equipment capable of
4 providing enhanced 911 services. Enhanced 911 services provide
5 the ability for public safety answering points to identify and
6 locate a 911 caller. The board has revenue and expenditures of
7 approximately \$9,000,000 annually. Since its inception in 2004,
8 the board has had no authority to hire employees and has relied
9 on consultants to sustain its operations. The board seeks to
10 have the option of hiring its own employees to handle
11 administrative functions and intends to use consultants to
12 address technical or industry specific issues that arise to
13 better utilize fiscal resources.

14 The legislature finds that the board should have the
15 flexibility to employ an executive director who will serve at
16 the pleasure of the board and be exempt from chapters 76 and 89,
17 Hawaii Revised Statutes.



1 The purpose of this Act is to provide the enhanced 911
2 board with the authority to hire an executive director and other
3 employees.

4 SECTION 2. Section 138-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5 amended by amending subsection (i) to read as follows:

6 "(i) The board or its chairperson, with the approval of
7 the board, may employ an executive director exempt from chapter
8 76 and 89, and other staff, and may retain independent, third-
9 party accounting firms, consultants, or other third party to:

- 10 (1) Create reports, make payments into the fund, process
11 checks, and make distributions from the fund, as
12 directed by the board and as allowed by this chapter;
13 and
- 14 (2) Perform administrative duties necessary to administer
15 the fund or oversee operations of the board, including
16 providing technical advisory support; provided that no
17 employee, third-party accounting firm, consultant, or
18 other third party hired to perform these
19 administrative duties may be retained if the employee,
20 accounting firm, consultant, or other third party,
21 either directly or indirectly, has a conflict of



1 interest or is affiliated with the management of or
2 owns a pecuniary interest in any entity subject to the
3 provisions of this chapter."

4 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.



Report Title:

Enhanced 911 Board; Hiring of Employees

Description:

Provides the Enhanced 911 Board with the authority to hire an executive director and employees. (HB894 CD1)

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