June 25, 2015

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki,
Speaker and Members of the
House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 25, 2015, the following bill was signed into law:

HB287 HD1 SD1 CD1 RELATING TO THE UNIFORM INFORMATION PRACTICES ACT
ACT 140 (15)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIFORM INFORMATION PRACTICES ACT.

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

SECTION 1. Section 92F-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(b) The following are examples of information in which the individual has a significant privacy interest:

(1) Information relating to medical, psychiatric, or psychological history, diagnosis, condition, treatment, or evaluation, other than directory information while an individual is present at such facility;

(2) Information identifiable as part of an investigation into a possible violation of criminal law, except to the extent that disclosure is necessary to prosecute the violation or to continue the investigation;

(3) Information relating to eligibility for social services or welfare benefits or to the determination of benefit levels;

(4) Information in an agency's personnel file, or applications, nominations, recommendations, or
proposals for public employment or appointment to a government position, except:

(A) Information disclosed under section 92F-12(a)(14); and

(B) The following information related to employment misconduct that results in an employee's suspension or discharge:

(i) The name of the employee;

(ii) The nature of the employment related misconduct;

(iii) The agency's summary of the allegations of misconduct;

(iv) Findings of fact and conclusions of law; and

(v) The disciplinary action taken by the agency;

when the following has occurred: the highest nonjudicial grievance adjustment procedure timely invoked by the employee or the employee's representative has concluded; a written decision sustaining the suspension or discharge has been issued after this procedure; and thirty calendar days have elapsed following the issuance of the decision or, for
decisions involving county police department officers,
ninety days have elapsed following the issuance of the
decision; provided that subparagraph (B) shall not
apply to a county police department officer except in
a case which results in the discharge of the officer;

(5) Information relating to an individual's
nongovernmental employment history except as necessary
to demonstrate compliance with requirements for a
particular government position;

(6) Information describing an individual's finances,
income, assets, liabilities, net worth, bank balances,
financial history or activities, or creditworthiness;

(7) Information compiled as part of an inquiry into an
individual's fitness to be granted or to retain a
license, except:

(A) The record of any proceeding resulting in the
discipline of a licensee and the grounds for
discipline;

(B) Information on the current place of employment
and required insurance coverages of licensees;

and
(C) The record of complaints including all dispositions;

(8) Information comprising a personal recommendation or evaluation; [and]

(9) Social security numbers; and

(10) Information that if disclosed would create a substantial and demonstrable risk of physical harm to an individual."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

APPROVED this 25 day of JUN, 2015

Annie E. Ige
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII