A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE CAPITOL.

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

SECTION 1. (a) The department of accounting and general services and the department of public safety, in consultation with the legislature and any other applicable entity, shall promptly plan and implement security improvements at the state capitol, which shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(1) Controlled access points, on the rotunda and chamber levels, having appropriate equipment to detect weapons and other contraband;

(2) Fencing or other appropriate barriers to prevent:
   (A) Unauthorized vehicles from entering the capitol grounds; and
   (B) Unauthorized access to the capitol rotunda; and

(3) The employment of private personnel to staff controlled access points to screen for weapons and contraband, effectuate the security improvements, and perform these duties in coordination with the law enforcement personnel of the State and county.
(b) The department of land and natural resources state historic preservation division shall promptly evaluate the potential necessity of any exemptions from applicable historic preservation designations or related restrictions to accomplish the security improvements. The state historic preservation division shall assist the department of accounting and general services to expedite and facilitate the application and approval, as appropriate, for any necessary exemptions from state or federal historic preservation laws.

(c) The department of accounting and general services and department of public safety may implement additional security improvements while the security improvements mandated by this Act are being planned and developed.

(d) No later than twenty days prior to the convening of the 2020 and 2021 regular sessions, the department of accounting and general services shall provide annual reports to the legislature on the status of its efforts to effectuate the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 2. No later than October 31, 2019, the department of accounting and general services shall remove all parking meters from the state capitol parking facility. The affected
parking stalls shall be allocated among the governor, lieutenant
governor, senate, house of representatives, and legislative
reference bureau on a pro rata basis and made available to state
employees whose place of employment is the state capitol and who
meet the qualifications of their respective employer's parking
policies. To offset the loss of metered parking stalls in the
state capitol, the department of accounting and general services
may establish and maintain additional public metered parking
stalls available in the Kinau Hale parking lot and the state
parking garage located at 301 South Vineyard Street.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $ or so much
thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the
sum of $ or so much thereof as may be necessary for
fiscal year 2020-2021 for the department of accounting and
general services to plan and implement security improvements,
including the planning, design, and installation of vehicular
barriers, at the state capitol pursuant to section 1 of this
Act.

The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
of accounting and general services for the purposes of this Act.
SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the sum of $ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for the department of public safety to purchase or lease security screening equipment as may be necessary and contract the services of private screening personnel at the state capitol to effectuate the purposes of section 1 of this Act.

The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department of public safety for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.
Report Title:
State Capitol; DAGS; DPS; Security; Parking

Description:
Requires DAGS and DPS, in consultation with the Legislature and other entities, to plan and implement security improvements at the State Capitol. Requires DAGS to remove all parking meters from the Capitol parking facility and reallocate parking in the Capitol district. Appropriates funds.

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