A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 128A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

§128A- Hawaii state fusion center. (a) There is established in the office of homeland security a state fusion center that shall be known as the Hawaii state fusion center. The director of homeland security, subject to the direction and control of the governor, shall oversee the Hawaii state fusion center.

(b) There shall be a Hawaii state fusion center director who shall be appointed, and may be removed, by the director of homeland security. The director of the Hawaii state fusion center shall be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Hawaii state fusion center. The director of the Hawaii state fusion center shall not be subject to chapter 76, and the position shall be funded by the State.

(c) The Hawaii state fusion center shall:
1. Be continually staffed to monitor all crimes and hazards and shall be the focal point for sharing local, national, and international information and context with the national level intelligence community;

2. Collaborate among all levels of government to receive, analyze, and disseminate threat-related information in coordination with multi-disciplinary partners; and

3. Establish a joint integration center to:

   A. Integrate information technology, cybersecurity, and cybercrime prevention, and cyber and analytic capabilities, and to improve situational awareness related to critical infrastructure or key resources protection of lifelines;

   B. Coordinate with local, state, and federal agencies for asset response activities to include:

      i. Furnishing technical assistance to affected entities to protect their assets, mitigate vulnerabilities, and reduce impacts of cyber incidents;
(ii) Identifying other entities that may be at risk and assessing their risk to the same or similar vulnerabilities;

(iii) Assessing potential risks to the State or region, including potential cascading effects, and developing courses of action to mitigate these risks;

(iv) Facilitating information sharing and operational coordination to respond to threats; and

(v) Providing guidance as to how best to utilize federal resources and capabilities in a timely, effective manner to speed recovery;

(C) Provide intelligence support and related activities, facilitate the building of situational threat awareness and sharing of related intelligence, including the integrated analysis of threat trends and events, the identification of knowledge gaps, and the ability
to degrade or mitigate adversary threat capabilities."

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:
Homeland Security; Hawaii State Fusion Center

Description:
Establishes the Hawaii State Fusion Center as a program under the Office of Homeland Security and establishes the position of Hawaii State Fusion Center Director who shall be state-funded, responsible to the Director of Homeland Security, and accountable to manage the operations of the Center.

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