A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BROADBAND SERVICE.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§103D- Net neutrality. (a) All state agencies shall contract internet-related services only with internet service providers who demonstrate and contractually agree to support and practice net neutrality principles where all internet traffic is treated equally.

(b) All state agencies shall add contract language and provisions to state procurement requirements that require suppliers of telecommunications, internet, broadband, and data communication services to abide by net neutrality principles.

(c) For purposes of this section, "net neutrality principles" means the adherence of internet service providers to the following:

(1) Providing access to all lawful content and applications regardless of the source;
(2) Treating all data fairly without favoring or blocking particular products or websites and without hindering, throttling, restricting, or prioritizing internet content, applications, or certain data streams; and

(3) Treating all data on the internet the same and not discriminating or charging differently by user, content, website, platform, application, service, type of attached equipment, method of communication, source, or ownership."

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
Report Title:
Broadband Internet Access Service; Protections; Net Neutrality Principles

Description:
Codifies the substantive provisions of Executive Order No. 18-02, which requires all state agencies to: contract internet-related services only with internet service providers who demonstrate and contractually agree to support and practice net neutrality principles where all internet traffic is treated equally; and add contract language and provisions to state procurement requirements that suppliers of telecommunications, internet, broadband, and data communication services shall abide by net neutrality principles. Defines "net neutrality principles". (SD1)

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