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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS AND RECORDS.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 92-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3           "(a) A board may hold a meeting closed to the public  
4 pursuant to section 92-4 for one or more of the following  
5 purposes:

6           (1) To consider and evaluate personal information relating  
7 to individuals applying for professional or vocational  
8 licenses cited in section 26-9 or both;

9           (2) To consider the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or  
10 discipline of an officer or employee or of charges  
11 brought against the officer or employee, where  
12 consideration of matters affecting privacy will be  
13 involved; provided that if the individual concerned  
14 requests an open meeting, an open meeting shall be  
15 held;

16           (3) Notwithstanding the right of the individual concerned  
17 in paragraph (2) to request an open meeting, to



1 consider statements and information obtained from  
2 witnesses or victims during the course of any  
3 investigation into the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or  
4 discipline of an officer or employee or of charges  
5 brought against the officer or employee, where  
6 consideration of matters affecting a witness's or  
7 victim's privacy will be involved;

8 [~~3~~] (4) To deliberate concerning the authority of persons  
9 designated by the board to conduct labor negotiations  
10 or to negotiate the acquisition of public property, or  
11 during the conduct of such negotiations;

12 [~~4~~] (5) To consult with the board's attorney on questions  
13 and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties,  
14 privileges, immunities, and liabilities;

15 [~~5~~] (6) To investigate proceedings regarding criminal  
16 misconduct;

17 [~~6~~] (7) To consider sensitive matters related to public  
18 safety or security;

19 [~~7~~] (8) To consider matters relating to the solicitation  
20 and acceptance of private donations; and



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1        [~~8~~] (9) To deliberate or make a decision upon a matter  
2                    that requires the consideration of information that  
3                    must be kept confidential pursuant to a state or  
4                    federal law, or a court order."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  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

7        SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

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INTRODUCED BY: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Report Title:**

Maui County Package; Boards; Closed Meetings

**Description:**

Authorizes any board that is subject to public agency meetings law to hold a closed meeting to consider statements and information obtained from witnesses or victims during the course of any investigation into the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or discipline of an officer or employee or of charges brought against the officer or employee, where consideration of matters affecting a witness's or victim's privacy will be involved.

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