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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE FACILITIES.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 26-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, charges  
2 the department of accounting and general services with the  
3 responsibility to "undertake the program of centralized  
4 engineering and office leasing services, including operation of  
5 public buildings, for departments of the State." In managing a  
6 number of capital improvement and renovation projects, the  
7 department has developed a standard project timeline that  
8 ensures:

- 9           (1) That projects continue to move forward in a  
10           predictable manner; and  
11           (2) The development of professionalism and accountability  
12           for the projects to which the department is  
13           responsible.

14           Currently, a number of executive departments have  
15 undertaken the responsibility for the engineering of numerous  
16 general fund construction and renovation projects, thereby  
17 decentralizing engineering activities.



1           The purpose of this Act is to require the auditor to review  
2 various departmental engineering sections that manage general  
3 fund capital improvement projects to determine if it is in the  
4 public interest to continue to operate duplicative engineering  
5 operations among various departments throughout state government  
6 projects.

7           SECTION 2. (a) The auditor shall conduct a study that  
8 reviews the process, efficiencies, and accountability of various  
9 departmental engineering sections that manage general fund  
10 capital improvement projects and are operating in the public  
11 interest.

12           The study shall:

- 13           (1) Determine if each office adheres to a specific  
14            timeline to ensure that the project continues to move  
15            forward in a timely manner;
- 16           (2) Determine whether consultants and contractors that are  
17            used by departmental engineering sections are properly  
18            managed in the public interest; and
- 19           (3) Determine the level of end-user satisfaction with  
20            capital improvement projects performed by various  
21            departments.



1           (b) The auditor shall submit the study, including its  
2 findings and recommendations, to the legislature no later than  
3 November 30, 2015.

4           SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Auditor; Department of Accounting and General Services

**Description:**

Requires the Auditor to conduct a study of various departmental engineering sections that manage general fund capital improvement projects. (HB697 HD1)

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