
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENHANCED 911 BOARD.

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

1 SECTION 1. The enhanced 911 board was created to collect
2 and expend funds so that the public safety answer points would
3 be able to install and maintain equipment capable of providing
4 enhanced 911 services. Enhanced 911 services provide the
5 ability for public safety answer points to identify and locate a
6 911 caller. The board has revenue and expenditures of
7 approximately \$9,000,000 annually. Since its inception in 2004,
8 the board has no authority to hire employees and has relied on
9 consultants to sustain its operations. The board now seeks to
10 have the option of hiring its own employees to handle
11 administrative functions and intends to use consultants to
12 address technical or industry specific issues that arise to
13 better utilize fiscal resources.

14 The purpose of this Act is to provide the enhanced 911
15 board with the authority to hire employees.

16 SECTION 2. Section 138-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
17 amended by amending subsection (i) to read as follows:



1 "(i) The board or its chairperson, with the approval of
2 the board, may employ staff and may retain independent, third-
3 party accounting firms, consultants, or other third party to:

4 (1) Create reports, make payments into the fund, process
5 checks, and make distributions from the fund, as
6 directed by the board and as allowed by this chapter;
7 and

8 (2) Perform administrative duties necessary to administer
9 the fund or oversee operations of the board, including
10 providing technical advisory support; provided that no
11 employee, third-party accounting firm, consultant, or
12 other third party hired to perform these
13 administrative duties may be retained if the employee,
14 accounting firm, consultant, or other third party,
15 either directly or indirectly, has a conflict of
16 interest or is affiliated with the management of or
17 owns a pecuniary interest in any entity subject to the
18 provisions of this chapter."

19 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

20 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.



Report Title:

Enhanced 911 Board

Description:

Provides the Enhanced 911 Board with the authority to hire employees. (HB894 HD1)

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