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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH PRINT  
DISABILITIES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the public utilities  
2 commission has a duty and obligation to obtain and maintain  
3 access to a basic set of essential telecommunications services  
4 for individuals who are blind or visually impaired.

5           The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the  
6 public utilities commission to provide free telecommunications  
7 access to certain information for persons with a print  
8 disability.

9           SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the public  
10 utilities commission special fund the sum of \$150,000 or so much  
11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the  
12 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
13 2024-2025 to provide free telecommunications access to certain  
14 information for persons with a print disability.

15           The sums appropriated shall be expended by the public  
16 utilities commission for the purposes of this Act.



**1** SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.



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**Report Title:**

Deaf and Blind Task Force; Public Utilities Commission; Print Disabilities; Telecommunications Access; Appropriation

**Description:**

Appropriates funds to the Public Utilities Commission to provide free telecommunications access to certain information for individuals with a print disability. (CD2)

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