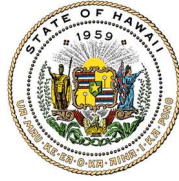


# SUNSHINE LAW MEETING



## HAWAI'I STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

State of Hawai'i · Bishop Square, 1001 Bishop Street, ASB Tower 970 · Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

### NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE HAWAI'I STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

Commissioners:

Wesley Fong, Chair  
Beverley Tobias, Vice-Chair • Robert Hong • Cynthia Thielen

Date: April 17, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Zoom Videoconference or Phone:

Videoconference: [Join Zoom Meeting](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81128425968?pwd=U8psAcMyRBRqEOzr0qlu3cvRXld0B5.1)  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81128425968?pwd=U8psAcMyRBRqEOzr0qlu3cvRXld0B5.1>

Phone: +1 (669) 900-6833 or +1 (719) 359-4580

Phone passcode: 776313

Meeting ID: 811 2842 5968

Passcode: zukpJ7

Public Meeting Location:

Hawai'i State Ethics Commission Conference Room  
1001 Bishop Street  
American Savings Bank Tower, Suite 970  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

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Public meeting materials for this meeting are available on the Commission's website at: [www.ethics.hawaii.gov](http://www.ethics.hawaii.gov).

## AGENDA

### CALL TO ORDER

I. Consideration and Approval of the Minutes of the March 20, 2024 Meeting

*Attachment 1: Sunshine Law Meeting Minutes of the March 20, 2024  
Hawai'i State Ethics Commission Meeting*

II. Directors' Report

1. Education / Training Report

*Attachment 1: 2024 Training Schedule*

*Attachment 2: Online Training Completions by Department and Board*

2. Guidance and Assignment Statistics – March 2024

*Attachment 3: 2024 Guidance and Assignment Statistics / Website Traffic*

3. Miscellaneous Office Projects / Updates

*Attachment 4: Q3 Financial Report*

III. Discussion of Media Reports Concerning Ethics or the Ethics Commission  
Since the Last Meeting

IV. 2024 Legislative Matters

New bills of interest, introduced in 2024, are described briefly below. The blue house or senate bill number is a clickable hyperlink that goes directly to the bill language online. If the hyperlink does not work, bills can be looked up at "capitol.hawaii.gov" and the bill number can be looked up in a box in the upper right-hand corner.

Bills that have not yet "crossed over" are generally considered dead for this legislative session.

- **Budget**
  - [HB 2520](#) (Ethics Commission budget). Act 002 (3/14/2024).

- **Commission Procedures**
  - [HB 1881](#) (Maximum administrative fine). Transmitted to House (4/9/2024).
  - [SB 2216 SD1](#) (Advice & investigation procedures). Received notice of disagreement (4/5/2024).
- **Disclosure Reporting**
  - [SB 2217](#) (Fiscal reporting periods). Received notice of disagreement (4/5/2024).
  - [HB 1884](#) (Legislator disclosures). House disagrees with Senate amendments (4/9/2024).
- **Campaign Finance**
  - [HB 2184](#) (Prohibits campaign contributions from persons convicted of campaign finance, lobbying, or ethical offenses). House disagrees with Senate Amendments (4/9/2024).
- **University of Hawaii Technology Transfer**
  - [SB 3191](#) (Eliminates sunset provision of the technology transfer exemption). Received notice of disagreement (4/4/2024).

V. Discussion of Ethics Oversight over the Judicial Branch

VI. *Akana v. Hawaii State Ethics Commission and Daniel Gluck*, Civil No. 18-1-1019-06 (JHA); *Akana v. Hawaii State Ethics Commission*, Civil No. 19-1-0379-03 (JHA); *State of Hawaii, Ethics Commission v. Rowena Akana*, Civil No. 20-1-0453 (BIA)

Discussion of case status.

The Hawai'i State Ethics Commission may convene an executive session pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes section 92-5(a)(4) to consult with the Commission's attorneys and/or the Department of the Attorney General on questions and issues pertaining to the Commission's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

VII. Adjournment

Public Testimony

Anyone wishing to testify may do so during the meeting or may submit written testimony in advance of the meeting by email ([info.ethics@hawaii.gov](mailto:info.ethics@hawaii.gov)), facsimile (fax) (808-587-0470), or U.S. postal mail (State Ethics Commission, 1001 Bishop Street, American Savngs Bank Tower, Suite 970, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813). Public testimony must be related to an item that is on the agenda and the testifier must identify the agenda item to be addressed by the testimony. Pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes section 92-3 and Hawai'i Administrative Rules section 21-1-6(c), oral testimony is limited to three minutes per testifier per agenda item, subject to the reasonable discretion of the Chair.

Auxiliary Aid or Accommodation Due to a Disability

If you require an auxiliary aid or accommodation due to a disability, please contact the State Ethics Commission at (808) 587-0460 or email the Commission at [info.ethics@hawaii.gov](mailto:info.ethics@hawaii.gov) as soon as possible, preferably at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Last-minute requests will be accepted but may be impossible to fill.

Upon request, this notice is available in alternate/accessible formats.

SUNSHINE LAW MEETING  
AGENDA ITEM I

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE  
MARCH 20, 2024 MEETING

Attachment 1: Sunshine Law Meeting Minutes of the March 20, 2024  
Hawai'i State Ethics Commission Meeting

SUNSHINE LAW MEETING  
MINUTES OF THE HAWAII STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

STATE OF HAWAII

Date: March 20, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Held via Zoom video and audio conference

Link: Recorded video available at  
[https://ethics.hawaii.gov/category/commissionmeetings/comm\\_videos/](https://ethics.hawaii.gov/category/commissionmeetings/comm_videos/)

Public Meeting Location

Hawaii State Ethics Commission Conference Room  
1001 Bishop Street  
American Savings Bank Tower, Suite 970  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: State Ethics Commission Members

Wesley F. Fong, Chair (present in conference room)  
Beverley Tobias, Vice Chair (via video conference)  
Robert Hong, Commissioner (present in conference room)  
Cynthia Thielen, Commissioner (via video conference)

State Ethics Commission Staff

Robert D. Harris, Executive Director (present in conference room)  
Kee M. Campbell, Enforcement Director (via video conference)  
Bonita Y.M. Chang, Compliance Director (via video conference)  
Nancy C. Neuffer, Staff Attorney (via video conference)  
Jennifer M. Yamanuha, Staff Attorney (via video conference)  
Jodi L. K. Yi, Staff Attorney (via video conference)  
Patrick W.C. Lui, Computer Specialist (via video conference)  
Jared Elster, Investigator (via video conference)  
Barbara Gash, Investigatory Analyst (present in conference room)  
Myles A. Yamamoto, Administrative Assistant (present in conference room)

Members of the Public

Chad  
Candice Park, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

1 **CALL TO ORDER (0:00)**  
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3 Chair Fong called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Chair Fong, Vice Chair  
4 Tobias, Commissioner Thielen, Commissioner Hong, and Commission staff were  
5 present. All commissioners and staff participating via video or audio conference  
6 confirmed no one was in the room with them at their respective remote locations.  
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9 **Agenda Item No. I: Consideration and Approval of the Minutes of the January 17,**  
10 **2024 Meeting (2:30)**  
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12 Commissioner Hong made, and Vice Chair Tobias seconded, a motion to  
13 approve the minutes of the January 17, 2024 meeting. The motion carried (Fong,  
14 Tobias, and Hong, voting in the affirmative with Thielen excused).  
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17 **Agenda Item No. II: Consideration and Approval of the Minutes of the February**  
18 **21, 2024 Meeting (3:24)**  
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20 Commissioner Thielen made, and Vice Chair Tobias seconded, a motion to  
21 approve the minutes of the February 21, 2024 meeting. The motion carried (Fong,  
22 Tobias, and Thielen voting in the affirmative with Hong excused).  
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25 **Agenda Item No. III: Directors' Report (4:19)**  
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27 Compliance Director Bonita Chang reported that staff are in the midst of the  
28 annual financial disclosure filing period for current employee and board filers. Requests  
29 for updated lists of employee filers have been sent to each state agency. In addition to  
30 providing updates on new employees and changes to existing employees, agencies  
31 were asked to provide information regarding total employee headcount and approximate  
32 training completion percentage.  
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34 Director Chang also reported that the Department of Education is in the process  
35 of implementing a new Learning Management System. Staff is working with the DOE to  
36 integrate the ethics training modules into this system. She noted that DOE is the largest  
37 state agency with over 25,000 employees. Director Chang reported that staff will be  
38 participating in a training session for state public charter schools in April.  
39

40 Executive Director Robert Harris noted that the training percentages shown in the  
41 meeting materials are based on the number of certificates of completions that are  
42 reported for an agency. The data is based on past completions and may not reflect  
43 information maintained by the specific agency or board. He also noted that the  
44 information for the boards and commissions is more accurate as staff can comb through  
45 the numbers better to determine actual completion rates.  
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1 Chair Fong inquired why some agencies have a completion rate over 100%.  
2 Director Harris replied that this is due to the inability of the system to screen out  
3 duplicate completions thus, if employees took the training multiple times, it would add to  
4 the completion percentages. He further noted that the numbers may also reflect both  
5 new and outgoing members who have completed training.  
6

7 Chair Fong asked about progress towards the 85% training compliance goal.  
8 Director Chang replied that progress is being made toward that goal. She noted that  
9 staff estimates a 75% completion percentage. Director Chang stated that 85%  
10 completion is a realistic goal. Reaching out to large agencies like the Department of  
11 Education and the University of Hawai'i will help to maximize staff resources to achieve  
12 this goal.  
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14 Enforcement Director Kee Campbell reported that staff continue to close matters  
15 at the same rate that new matters are opened.  
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17 Executive Director Robert Harris introduced new Investigatory Analyst Barbara  
18 Gash. Analyst Gash previously worked at the Department of Commerce and Consumer  
19 Affairs. Analyst Gash then spoke a little about her background. She noted that she has  
20 a background in law and financial fraud issues.  
21

22 Chair Fong welcomed Analyst Gash and asked what additional experience she  
23 has in addition to her work with DCCA. Analyst Gash replied that she worked in the  
24 Division of Financial Institutions and at the federal level. Additionally, she worked for the  
25 Office of Disciplinary Counsel and practiced law.  
26

27 Vice Chair Tobias and Commissioner Thielen also welcomed Analyst Gash.  
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30 **Agenda Item No. IV: Discussion of Media Reports Concerning Ethics or the Ethics**  
31 **Commission Since the Last Meeting (15:35)**  
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33 Executive Director Robert Harris reported that there were no items of note  
34 related to the Commission.  
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37 **Agenda Item No. V: 2024 Legislative Matters (16:15)**  
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39 Executive Director Robert Harris reported that the Commission's budget has  
40 been signed by the Governor.  
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42 Director Harris highlighted SB 2219. This bill is an attempt to expand the  
43 definition of lobbying to include activities related to contracts and procurement. Some  
44 members of the House of Representatives expressed concerns. Director Harris noted  
45 that some portions of the bill may need to be sacrificed this session to pass something  
46 and come back with revisions next session.  
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1 Director Harris highlighted HB 2184. This bill would prohibit those convicted of  
2 certain criminal violations or found to violate ethical rules from making a political  
3 campaign contribution. Director Harris explained that he had constitutional concerns  
4 with the proposed broad range of violations that would bar an individual from making a  
5 political contribution. Testimony was submitted suggesting that the potential violations at  
6 issue be narrowed. In response to Director Harris' concerns, the bill was amended to  
7 remove civil violations from the bill. Director Harris noted that this bill is not part of the  
8 Commission's package.  
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10 Director Harris highlighted SB 3191. This bill would permanently exempt  
11 transfers/commercialization of technology at UH from the ethics code. The current  
12 exemption is due to sunset. This bill would eliminate the sunset date. The Commission  
13 has not taken a position on this bill. Comments were submitted indicating that UH has  
14 not consulted with the Commission to date and that the Commission's analysis and role  
15 would be unclear given the exceptions.  
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17 Chair Fong asked about HB 1881, which would increase the maximum  
18 administrative fine the Commission could issue. Director Harris replied that the bill is  
19 alive and before the Senate Ways and Means Committee. He expressed hope that the  
20 bill would be heard.  
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22 Chair Fong asked about SB 3350 which would require justices, judges, and  
23 judicial nominees to file financial disclosures with the commission. Director Harris  
24 replied that the bill is still technically alive, however, indications are that the House does  
25 not intend to move the bill forward. He expects the bill to die this session. Director Harris  
26 noted that the Commission did not take a position on the bill but offered comments.  
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28 Chair Fong asked about the bill regarding the use by legislators of state  
29 equipment. Director Harris replied that this is also not a part of the Commission's  
30 package. The bill would allow the use of state equipment for "bonified" community  
31 initiatives. Director Harris noted that the bill failed to cross over. He also noted that he  
32 did not believe that this legislation was necessary.  
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34 Chair Fong asked about the bill to require the Judicial Council to vet  
35 appointments to county boards and commissions. Director Harris replied that the bill  
36 was never heard in the House and is thus dead for the session.  
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### 39 **Agenda Item No. VI: Proposed 2024 Goals (28:35)**

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41 Executive Director Harris reported that staff have developed a series of goals to  
42 work towards in 2024. He noted that these goals allow staff to focus on specific areas.  
43 The goals are as follows:  
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- 45 • 85% state employee training completion rate;
- 46 • Public filing and information modernization;
- 47 • Enforcement modernization;

- Office modernization; and
- Increased public engagement.

With regards to meeting the 85% training completion goal, Director Harris explained that staff is working to update and upgrade tracking systems. The hope is to provide better data and reporting to help track completions.

With regards to enforcement modernization, Director Harris cited the hiring of Investigative Analyst Barbara Gash as progress toward this goal.

Concerning office modernization, staff are currently focused on migration to new servers and implementing a new data management system.

Director Harris noted that he hopes that the policy of establishing annual goals will become an annual exercise with staff and the Commission.

Chair Fong noted that each goal is very ambitious and asked how staff plans to increase public engagement. Director Harris noted that this goal may become a regular annual goal. He stated that the focus is on engaging strategic partnerships both within government and the public. He stated this includes neighbor island partners as well.

Commissioner Hong asked if the goals are assigned to specific staff to provide for accountability. Director Harris replied that due to the nature of the goals some are assigned to specific staff by default. He noted that the goals may not be 100% met by the end of the year, but that progress will be made on each.

Chair Fong stated that significant accomplishments of the Commission need to be made public.

Vice Chair Tobias asked if outreach includes outreach to the other county ethics boards and commissions. Director Harris replied that one of the ideas is to hold quarterly sessions with the various county boards. He noted that these sessions may not necessarily be public facing but more geared toward training opportunities for the commissions.

Chair Fong suggested that the Commission reach out to the counties to offer our support and expertise.

Commissioner Hong recommended that outreach be done in a collaborative fashion rather than a top-down approach. Director Harris agreed with the points brought up by Vice Chair Tobias and Commissioner Hong.

1 **Agenda Item No. VII: Discussion of Ethics Oversight over the Judicial Branch**  
2 **(41:14)**  
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4 Executive Director Harris reported that dialogue continues between the  
5 Commission and the Judiciary.  
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8 **Agenda Item No. VIII: Akana v. Hawaii State Ethics Commission and Daniel Gluck,**  
9 **Civil No. 18-1-1019-06 (JHA); Akana v. Hawaii State Ethics Commission, Civil No.**  
10 **19-1-0379-03 (JHA); State of Hawaii, Ethics Commission v. Rowena Akana,**  
11 **Civil No. 20-1-0453 (BIA) (41:40)**  
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13 Executive Director Harris reported that Ms. Akana had requested and was  
14 granted an extension to file an appeal to the supreme court. He believes that the  
15 extended deadline has passed. He was unsure if an appeal was filed.  
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18 **Agenda Item No. IX: Evaluation of Executive Director Robert Harris (43:53)**  
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20 Chair Fong noted that at the request of Executive Director Harris and in the spirit  
21 of openness and transparency, the evaluation of Executive Director Robert Harris will  
22 be discussed in the open sunshine session of the commission's meeting.  
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24 Chair Fong reported that Executive Director Robert Harris was evaluated in nine  
25 categories. They are:  
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- 27 • Providing Legal Counsel to the Commission
- 28 • Training
- 29 • Enforcement of the Ethics Code & lobbying laws
- 30 • Education
- 31 • Relations with the media
- 32 • Relationship building
- 33 • Legislation
- 34 • Budget
- 35 • Administration and management  
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37 Director Harris had an average score of 4.74 with a high score of 5.0 and low of  
38 4.5. His top three categories were legislation, relations with the media, and  
39 enforcement.  
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41 Commissioner Hong expressed his appreciation to staff for providing input  
42 throughout the evaluation process.  
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44 Director Harris expressed his appreciation to the Commission and staff. He  
45 stated that he is honored to be the executive director. He further stated that he felt the

1 comments in the evaluation were important and would take them to heart and continue  
2 to improve. He noted that the high scores are reflective of the great Commission team.  
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4 Commissioner Hong made, and Commissioner Thielen seconded, a motion to  
5 adopt the evaluation of Executive Director Robert Harris. The motion carried (Fong,  
6 Tobias, Hong, and Thielen voting in the affirmative).  
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9 **Agenda Item No. X: Adjournment of Sunshine Law Meeting (48:42)**

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11 At approximately 9:49 a.m., Vice Chair Tobias made, and Commissioner Thielen  
12 seconded, a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried (Fong, Tobias, Hong,  
13 and Thielen voting in the affirmative).  
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15 The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

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17 Minutes approved on \_\_\_\_\_.

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SUNSHINE MEETING  
AGENDA ITEM II

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT  
April 17, 2024

**1. Education / Training Report**

*Attachment 1: 2024 Training Schedule*

*Attachment 2: Online Training Completions by Department and Board*

**2. Guidance and Assignment Statistics – March 2024**

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*Attachment 4: Q3 Financial Report*

<b>HAWAII STATE ETHICS COMMISSION</b>			
<b>2024 EDUCATION PROGRAM</b>			
<b>(Ethics Workshops and Presentations)</b>			
<b>DATE</b>	<b>PRESENTATIONS</b>	<b>IN PERSON PARTICIPANTS</b>	<b>WEBINAR PARTICIPANTS</b>
1/4/2024	WEBINAR: Lobbyists Law Training	0	50
1/10/2024	WEBINAR: Lobbyists Law Training	0	48
1/18/2024	WEBINAR: General Ethics Training	0	8
1/19/2024	IN PERSON: Training Refresher, Capitol, House Members	51	0
2/6/2024	WEBINAR: Training Refresher, DOH, Kauai	0	13
2/8/2024	<del>WEBINAR: Ethics for Board and Commission Members</del> (CANCELLED)	0	0
3/6/2024	WEBINAR: General Ethics Training	0	7
4/16/2024	WEBINAR: General Ethics Training, Charter Schools		
5/2/2024	WEBINAR: General Ethics Training		
5/16/2024	IN PERSON: Training Refresher, Agribusiness Development Corporation		
6/24/2024	IN PERSON: Ethics for Board and Commission Members, Hawai'i Workforce Development Council		
7/24/2024	WEBINAR: General Ethics Training		
8/8/2024	WEBINAR: Ethics for Board and Commission Members		
9/26/2024	WEBINAR: General Ethics Training		
10/23/2024	WEBINAR: Ethics for Board and Commission Members		
11/7/2024	WEBINAR: General Ethics Training		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16 Presentations</b>	<b>51 participants</b>	<b>126 participants</b>

## State Employees

	# of Current	%	
Department/Agency	Employees*	Completed	
Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS)	642	61%	
Department of Agriculture (DOA)	249	96%	
Department of Budget and Finance (B&F)	334	86%	
Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBED)	335	90%	
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA)	541	191%	
Department of Defense (DOD)	404	94%	
Department of Education (DOE)	22,369	60%	
Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL)	134	95%	
Department of Health (DOH)	2,481	82%	
Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD)	90	91%	
Department of Human Services (DHS)	1,700	87%	
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR)	541	59%	
Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR)	800	94%	
Former Dept: Department of Public Safety (DPS)	3,002	42%	**Reorg eff. 1/1/24-Agency is reconciling data. Employees formerly with DPS have been transferred to DCR and DLE.
Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR)	1,882	14%	
Department of Law Enforcement (DLE)	395	25%	
Department of Taxation (TAX)	318	96%	
Department of the Attorney General (ATG)	621	97%	
Department of Transportation (DOT)	2,255	79%	# Based HSEC's data
Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation (HHSC)	3,206	97%	
Hawai'i State Ethics Commission (HSEC)	12	100%	
Hawai'i State Public Library System (HSPLS)	429	169%	# Based HSEC's data
House of Representatives (REP)	166	100%	
Judiciary (JUD)	1,731	96%	
Legislative Reference Bureau (LRB)	33	100%	
Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA)	119	87%	
Office of the Auditor (AUD)	25	100%	
Office of the Governor (GOV)	51	100%	
Office of the Lieutenant Governor (LTG)	15	100%	
Office of the Ombudsman (OMB)	10	100%	
Public Charter School (SPCSC)	TBD		includes indiv. charter school staff
Research Corporation of the University of Hawai'i (RCUH)	2,742	71%	
Senate (SEN)	104	100%	
University of Hawai'i (aggregate)	12,844	62%	
University of Hawai'i-Community Colleges (UOHC)	2,568		
University of Hawai'i-Hilo (UOHH)	864		
University of Hawai'i-Manoa (UOHM)	8,511		
University of Hawai'i-System (UOH)	502		
University of Hawai'i-West Oahu (UOHW)	399		
<b>Total Employees Training Completed</b>	<b>60,580</b>		

\*Based on annual financial disclosure updates from departments collected in March/April 2023

Percentages based on information reported by agencies in March 2024.

Total training completions from January 1, 2020 to March 31, 2024



## State Boards and Commissions

	No. of	%
Board/Commission	Members*	Completed
Agribusiness Development Corporation	8	150%
Board of Acupuncture	5	100%
Board of Agriculture	10	100%
Board of Barbering and Cosmetology	7	86%
Board of Certification of Operating Personnel in Wastewater Treatment Plants	9	100%
Board of Chiropractic Examiners	5	80%
Board of Dentistry	12	108%
Board of Education	11	182%
Board of Electricians and Plumbers	7	157%
Board of Land and Natural Resources	7	171%
Board of Massage Therapy	5	120%
Board of Naturopathic Medicine	4	100%
Board of Nursing	9	100%
Board of Pharmacy	7	100%
Board of Physical Therapy	7	100%
Board of Private Detectives and Guards	7	71%
Board of Professional Engineers, etal	13	92%
Board of Psychology	5	100%
Board of Public Accountancy	9	122%
Board of Registration	8	75%
Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology	7	100%
Board on Geographic Names	7	114%
Boxing Commission	3	75%
Campaign Spending Commission	5	100%
Civil Rights Commission	5	100%
Commission on Status of Women	5	180%
Commission on Water Resource Management	7	129%
Contractors License Board	13	92%
Correctional System Oversight Commission	5	100%
Council on Revenues	7	114%
Crime Victim Compensation Commission	3	100%
Defender Council	3	67%
Deferred Compensation Plan Board of Trustees	7	100%
Disability and Communication Access Board	17	112%
Early Learning Board	12	67%
Elections Commission	9	100%
Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board	7	71%
Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees	8	175%
Enhanced 911 Board	13	92%
Environmental Advisory Council	15	87%
Festival of the Pacific Arts & Culture	9	78%
Hawai'i Board of Optometry	7	86%
Hawai'i Board of Veterinary Medicine	5	100%
Hawai'i Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Commission	20	60%

## State Boards and Commissions

	No. of	%
Board/Commission	Members*	Completed
Hawai'i Community Development Authority	13	100%
Hawai'i Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund	10	100%
Hawai'i Green Infrastructure Authority	5	100%
Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation-Corporation	15	73%
Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation-East Hawai'i	11	100%
Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation-Kauai	8	63%
Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation-Maui	2	50%
Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation-Oahu	8	125%
Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation-West Hawai'i	9	56%
Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board	5	100%
Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation	9	78%
Hawai'i Law Enforcement Standards Board	14	64%
Hawai'i Medical Board	11	182%
Hawai'i Paroling Authority	5	100%
Hawai'i Public Housing Authority	10	180%
Hawai'i Retirement Savings Board	8	100%
Hawai'i State Emergency Response Commission	9	82%
Hawai'i State Ethics Commission	5	120%
Hawai'i State Fire Council	4	150%
Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board	17	88%
Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation	8	100%
Hawai'i Tourism Authority	11	92%
Hawaiian Homes Commission	9	122%
Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board	4	80%
Island Burial Council - Hawai'i	5	60%
Island Burial Council - Kauai/Niihau	6	50%
Island Burial Council - Maui/Lanai	6	33%
Island Burial Council - Molokai	1	100%
Island Burial Council - Oahu	8	63%
Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission	4	100%
King Kamehameha Celebration Commission	15	100%
Land Use Commission	9	178%
Legacy Land Conservation Commission	8	100%
Mauna Kea Stewardship & Oversight Authority	10	83%
Medical Education Council	12	92%
Merit Appeals Board	3	100%
Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board	7	100%
Motor Vehicle Repair Industry Board	2	50%
National and Community Service, Hawai'i Commission for	15	73%
Natural Area Reserves System Commission	9	100%
Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawai'i	11	100%
Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization	14	64%
Other Board/Commission		0%
Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems	4	100%

## State Boards and Commissions

	No. of	%
Board/Commission	Members*	Completed
Pest Control Board	9	78%
Public Water System Operators, Board of Certification of	3	100%
Radiologic Technology Board	5	60%
RCUH-Board of Directors	6	100%
Real Estate Commission	9	144%
School Facilities Authority Board	3	100%
Soil and Water Conservation District Boards	84	81%
Stadium Authority Commission	8	138%
State Council on Developmental Disabilities	28	71%
State Foundation on Culture and the Arts	7	186%
State Public Charter School Commission	9	167%
Statewide Health Coordinating Council	9	122%
University of Hawai'i Board of Regents	11	200%
<b>Total Board/Commission Members Training Completed</b>	<b>904</b>	

\*Membership number is based on full membership and may include vacant positions  
 Total training completions from January 1, 2020 to March 31, 2024

2024	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year to date
<b>Training statistics</b>													
# of In-Person Trainings	1	0	0										1
# of People Trained In Person	51	0	0										51
# of On-Line Trainings (Self-Directed)	958	707	487										2,152
# of Lobbyists Law Trainings	186	52	29										267
# of Training Webinars	3	1	1										5
# of Participants in Training Webinars	106	13	7										126
<b>Attorney of the Day</b>	118	89	94										301
<b>New assignments</b>													
Advisory Opinion	0	0	0										0
Complaint	67	25	39										131
Gifts/Invitations/Travel	21	24	30										75
Guidance	2	0	2										4
Judicial Selection Comm'n	6	0	5										11
Training Request	0	0	0										0
Record Request	1	1	0										2
Project/Other	6	1	1										8
<b>Total</b>	103	51	77	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	231
<b>Closed Assignments</b>													
Advisory Opinion	0	0	0										0
Complaint	67	26	26										119
Gifts/Invitations/Travel	21	22	35										78
Guidance	1	3	0										4
Judicial Selection Comm'n	7	0	4										11
Training Request	0	0	0										0
Record Request	1	1	0										2
Project/Other	2	2	2										6
<b>Total</b>	99	54	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	220
<b>Anti-Fraud</b>	2	5	5										12

HAWAII STATE ETHICS COMMISSION FINANCIAL REPORT  
 FY 2024 (MONTH ENDING: March 31, 2024)  
 Appropriation Symbol: G-24-393-Y6

	Amount Appropriated FY 2023-2024	Expenditures for Qtr. End 9/30/2023	Expenditures for Qtr. End 12/31/2023	Expenditures for Qtr. End 3/31/2024	Expenditures for Qtr. End 6/30/2024	Year-To-Date Expenditures Totals	% of Budget Expended
<b>A. PERSONNEL SERVICES</b>							
Staff Salaries	\$ 1,229,623.00	\$ 282,204.76	\$ 273,415.50	\$ 283,390.50	\$ 0.00	839,010.76	68.2%
Total Personnel Services	<b>\$ 1,229,623.00</b>	<b>\$ 282,204.76</b>	<b>\$ 273,415.50</b>	<b>\$ 283,390.50</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 839,010.76</b>	<b>68.2%</b>
<b>B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES</b>							
Office Expenses	16,640.00	6,848.18	7,119.70	4,842.71	0.00	18,810.59	113.0%
Intrastate Transportation and Travel	9,250.00	530.50	0.00	24.75	0.00	555.25	6.0%
Out-of-State Travel	12,660.00	1,448.20	7,482.38	0.00	0.00	8,930.58	70.5%
Equipment Rental and Maintenance	34,100.00	5,107.60	1,429.09	2,146.36	0.00	8,683.05	25.5%
Dues, Subscriptions, Training	20,910.00	2,468.03	3,037.36	4,036.83	0.00	9,542.22	45.6%
Newspaper Advertisements	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Comm'n Mtgs, Investigations, Hrgs	12,400.00	3,693.86	938.22	876.95	0.00	5,509.03	44.4%
Consulting Services	42,500.00	0.00	1,147.55	0.00	0.00	1,147.55	2.7%
Office Rent	158,331.00	20,892.12	39,122.82	39,728.42	0.00	99,743.36	63.0%
Total Other Current Expenses	<b>\$ 307,891.00</b>	<b>\$ 40,988.49</b>	<b>\$ 60,277.12</b>	<b>\$ 51,656.02</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 152,921.63</b>	<b>49.7%</b>
<b>C. CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>							
Office Furniture and Equipment	4,000.00	6,282.72	7,215.00	6,334.18	0.00	19,831.90	495.8%
Total Capital Outlay	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,282.72</b>	<b>\$ 7,215.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,334.18</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 19,831.90</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL (A+B+C)</b>	<b>\$ 1,541,514.00 <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>\$ 329,475.97</b>	<b>\$ 340,907.62</b>	<b>\$ 341,380.70</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,011,764.29</b>	<b>65.6%</b>

General Fund Allocation .....	<b>\$ 1,541,514.00</b>
Total Expenditures as of March 31, 2024 .....	<b>\$ 1,011,764.29</b>
Balance as of March 31, 2024 .....	<b>\$529,749.71</b>

<sup>1</sup> \$1,541,514 awarded by Act 1, SLH 2023 - Appropriation 393.

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 FY 2024 (QUARTER ENDING: March 31, 2024)  
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	Amount Appropriated FY 2023-2024	Expenditures for Qtr. End 9/30/2023	Expenditures for Qtr. End 12/31/2023	Expenditures for Qtr. End 3/31/2024	Expenditures for Qtr. End 6/30/2024	Year-To-Date Expenditures Totals	% of Budget Expended
A. ACCRUED VACATION/VACATION TRANSFERS							
Vacation Payout	\$ 16,553.00 <sup>1</sup>	\$ 10,011.57	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 10,011.57	60.5%
Total Accrued Vacation/Vacation Transfers	<b>\$ 16,553.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,011.57</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,011.57</b>	<b>60.5%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 16,553.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,011.57</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,011.57</b>	<b>60.5%</b>

Appropriation for Accrued Vacation/Vacation Transfer Payments .....	<b>\$ 16,553.00</b>
Total Expenditures as of March 31, 2024 .....	\$ 10,011.57
Balance as of March 31, 2024 .....	\$ 6,541.43

<sup>1</sup> Funds for accrued vacation and vacation transfer payments appropriated by Act 3, HB 1514 HD1 SD1, for \$16,553.00.

SUNSHINE LAW MEETING  
AGENDA ITEM III

DISCUSSION OF MEDIA REPORTS CONCERNING ETHICS OR THE ETHICS  
COMMISSION SINCE THE LAST MEETING

No attachments.

SUNSHINE LAW MEETING  
AGENDA ITEM IV

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

No attachments



SUNSHINE LAW MEETING  
AGENDA ITEM V

DISCUSSION OF ETHICS OVERSIGHT OVER THE JUDICIAL BRANCH

No attachments.

SUNSHINE LAW MEETING  
AGENDA ITEM VI

AKANA v. HAWAII STATE ETHICS COMMISSION AND DANIEL GLUCK,  
CIVIL NO. 18-1-1019-06 (JHA); AKANA v. HAWAII STATE ETHICS COMMISSION,  
CIVIL NO. 19-1-0379-03 (JHA); STATE OF HAWAII, ETHICS COMMISSION v.  
ROWENA AKANA, CIVIL NO. 20-1-0453 (BIA)

Discussion of case status.

The Hawai'i State Ethics Commission may convene an executive session pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes section 92-5(a)(4) to consult with the Commission's attorneys on questions and issues pertaining to the Commission's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

No attachments.