## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CIVIL DEFENSE.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that emergency
management is one of the most important functions of state
government in the protection of lives and property against
disasters. Every available minute is needed to assess

5 potentially dangerous situations and the State must be in a

6 position to coordinate warnings and actions to protect lives and

7 property. Therefore, it is the intent of the legislature to

 $oldsymbol{8}$  expand and improve Hawaii's emergency management operations by

9 supporting the construction of a new state emergency operating

center. The around the clock warning capability that the state

11 emergency operations center can provide should be placed in a

12 technologically advanced facility that is capable of

13 accommodating appropriate public and private emergency response

organizations with requisite communications and information

15 management systems.

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# H.B. NO. 298

1	The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of
2	general obligation bonds for the planning, design, and
3	construction of a new state emergency operating center.
4	SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
5	general obligations bonds in the sum of \$40,000,000, or so much
6	thereof as may be necessary, and the same sum or so much thereof
7	as may be necessary, is appropriated for fiscal year 2007-2008,
8	for the planning, design, and construction of a new state
9	emergency operating center.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of accounting and general services for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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### Report Title:

Civil Defense; State Emergency Operating Center; General Obligation Bonds

### Description:

Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds for the planning and construction of a new state emergency operating center.