

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

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June 30, 2006

The Honorable Robert Bunda, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 003 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on June 30, 2006, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2036 SD1 HD1 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR AN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY INCUBATOR. (ACT 255)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

THE SENATE
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2006
STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR AN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY INCUBATOR.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The high technology development corporation
- 2 provides assistance and resources to technology industry
- 3 entrepreneurs, start-up companies, employers, and job seekers in
- 4 Hawaii. Start-up companies have an opportunity to enroll in the
- 5 high technology development corporation's tech center program
- 6 and benefit from the facilities and support services offered at
- 7 several incubation centers located statewide. Start-up
- 8 companies may operate their businesses from one of the
- 9 incubation centers and share access to advanced connectivity,
- 10 conference rooms, and office equipment. Companies may also
- 11 participate in workshops, seminars, networking opportunities,
- 12 and the professional service providers program.
- 13 The high technology development corporation wants to expand
- 14 its business and technology-based incubation services to foreign
- 15 technology companies seeking to gain a presence in Hawaii by
- 16 first targeting existing technology companies in the People's
- 17 Republic of China, Japan, the Republic of Korea, and Singapore.



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- 1 During the summer of 2005, the high technology development
- 2 corporation entered into cooperative agreements with incubator
- 3 programs in Beijing and Shanghai to share resources and offices
- 4 in the People's Republic of China and Hawaii. Hawaii is an
- 5 attractive alternative to other technology incubator programs on
- 6 the mainland because of its closer proximity to Asia and the
- 7 State's culturally diverse population. International expansion
- 8 of the incubator program will create more business and
- 9 technology-based jobs, economic diversification, and new
- 10 external sources of tax revenues for the State.
- 11 The purpose of this Act is to provide the necessary
- 12 start-up funding to operate an international business and
- 13 technology incubator program and to enable state residents to
- 14 acquire the bilingual language skills, technology, and marketing
- 15 necessary to implement an incubator program in China, Japan, and
- 16 Hawaii.
- 17 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 18 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$400,000, or so much
- 19 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 for the
- 20 high technology development corporation to establish an
- 21 international business and technology incubator program in
- 22 Hawaii.



- 1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 2 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
- 3 this Act.
- 4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Approved this day: ___JUN 3 0 2006

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

President of the Senate

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Clerk of the Senate

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

Speaker, House of Representatives

Clerk, House of Representatives