## A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO PACIFIC AVIATION MUSEUM PEARL HARBOR.

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

- SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Pacific Aviation 1
- 2 Museum at Pearl Harbor is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt Internal
- 3 Revenue Code 501(c)(3) organization established in 1999.
- 4 museum's purpose is to develop a portion of Ford Island into a
- 5 world-class aviation museum that will honor the patriotism,
- valor, and sacrifice made by aviators and their ground support 6
- 7 personnel in the defense of freedom in the Pacific. The scope
- of the new museum will include World War II, the Korean War, the 8
- 9 Cold War, the Vietnam conflict, and current American air power.
- It will feature diorama exhibits, period and reproduction 10
- 11 aircraft, an aviation education center, a flight simulation
- 12 center, a theater, a museum store, a food service area, and a
- 13 library.
- 14 To date, the museum has raised \$12,600,000 in federal,
- state, and private funds. The 2004 state legislature 15
- 16 appropriated a \$1,000,000 grant-in-aid for the museum.
- 17 estimated total cost to complete Phase I of the museum's
- 18 development plan, including indirect costs, is \$12,000,000. The



- 1 museum has completed detailed drawings for the restoration and
- 2 build-out of Hanger 37, which will feature a display of the
- 3 attack on Oahu and the early stages of World War II. Kiewit
- 4 Construction has been selected as the general contractor with
- 5 ground-breaking scheduled for February 2006. The museum is set
- 6 to open Phase I on December 7, 2006.
- 7 Additional state funds are necessary to provide the
- 8 foundation for Phase II of the museum to be housed in Hangar 79
- 9 on Ford Island. Phase II development shall include the
- 10 planning, designing, and construction to improve and restore
- 11 Hangar 79. The current cost to complete Phase II is estimated
- 12 at \$30,000,000. Phase II exhibits will encompass the campaigns
- 13 of World War II, and an introduction to the Korean War and the
- 14 Vietnam conflict. The museum will complete its fundraising in
- 15 Hawaii over the next eighteen months and will then launch a
- 16 national campaign to fund the balance of Phase II. The State's
- 17 ongoing support is extremely important in demonstrating to
- 18 potential mainland funding sources the State's strong backing of
- 19 this important new initiative. This museum will be the most
- 20 significant new amenity to Hawaii's tourism and education
- 21 infrastructure since the arrival of the USS Missouri eight years

- 1 ago. The State must appropriate the crucial funds to preserve
- 2 aviation history and honor those who fought for our freedom.
- 3 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys to the
- 4 Pacific Aviation Museum at Pearl Harbor for Phase II of the
- 5 museum's development.
- 6 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$2,000,000, or so
- 8 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
- 9 the purposes of this Act.
- 10 SECTION 3. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the
- 11 Hawaii tourism authority, provided that funds expended shall be
- 12 restricted to the planning, designing, and construction of
- 13 museum facilities at hangar 79 on Ford Island.
- 14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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INTRODUCED BY:

## Report Title:

Pacific Aviation Museum; Pearl Harbor

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## Description:

Makes appropriation for Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor to enter Phase II of development.