



GOV. MSG. NO. **447**

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

February 20, 2007

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on February 20, 2007, the following bill was signed into law:

SB25 SD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE
LEGISLATURE.
(ACT 001)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James R. Aiona, Jr.", written over a faint, illegible background.

JAMES R. AIONA, JR.
Acting Governor

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LEGISLATURE.

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

1 SECTION 1. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$7,694,360, or so
3 much thereof as may be necessary, for defraying any and all
4 session and nonsession expenses of the senate up to and
5 including June 30, 2008, including the 2007 regular session,
6 twenty-fourth legislature of the State of Hawaii, and
7 pre-session expenses and the expenses of any committee or
8 committees established during the interim between the 2007 and
9 2008 regular sessions.

10 The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by
11 the senate.

12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$11,670,163, or so
14 much thereof as may be necessary, for defraying any and all
15 session and nonsession expenses of the house of representatives
16 up to and including June 30, 2008, including the 2007 regular
17 session, twenty-fourth legislature of the State of Hawaii, and



1 pre-session expenses and the expenses of any committee or
2 committees established during the interim between the 2007 and
3 2008 regular sessions.

4 The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by
5 the house of representatives.

6 SECTION 3. Payment of expenses of the senate during the
7 interim between the 2007 and 2008 regular sessions shall be made
8 only with the approval of the president of the senate, and
9 payment of expenses of the house of representatives during the
10 interim between the 2007 and 2008 sessions shall be made only
11 with the approval of the speaker of the house of
12 representatives.

13 SECTION 4. Before January 16, 2008, the senate and the
14 house of representatives shall each have their accounts audited
15 and a full report of the respective audits shall be presented to
16 the senate and to the house of representatives convening on
17 January 16, 2008.

18 SECTION 5. Unless otherwise prescribed by law, the
19 expenses of any member of the legislature while traveling abroad
20 on official business of the legislature shall be \$130 a day as
21 authorized by the president of the senate and the speaker of the
22 house of representatives, respectively.



1 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$3,646,810, or so
3 much thereof as may be necessary, to the office of the auditor
4 for the following expenses:

5 (1) The sum of \$2,692,572, for defraying the expenses of
6 the office of the auditor during fiscal year
7 2007-2008;

8 (2) The sum of \$804,238, for defraying the expenses of the
9 office of the state ethics commission during fiscal
10 year 2007-2008; and

11 (3) The sum of \$150,000, during fiscal year 2007-2008 for:

12 (A) Performing special studies;

13 (B) Improving capabilities for planning, programming,
14 and budgeting;

15 (C) Fulfilling other special requests made of the
16 auditor by the legislature or jointly by the
17 president of the senate and the speaker of the
18 house of representatives;

19 (D) Legislative studies and contractual services for
20 those studies; and



1 (E) Such other purposes as may be determined by the
2 joint action of the president of the senate and
3 the speaker of the house of representatives.

4 The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by
5 the auditor.

6 SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of the general
7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$4,221,820, or so
8 much thereof as may be necessary, to the office of the auditor
9 during fiscal year 2007-2008 to be deposited into the audit
10 revolving fund established pursuant to section 23-3.6, Hawaii
11 Revised Statutes.

12 SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the audit
13 revolving fund the sum of \$5,600,438, or so much thereof as may
14 be necessary, to the office of the auditor during fiscal year
15 2007-2008, for the auditor to conduct or complete its audit
16 functions as provided by law.

17 The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by
18 the auditor.

19 SECTION 9. There is appropriated out of the general
20 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$3,223,008, or so
21 much thereof as may be necessary, to the legislative reference
22 bureau for defraying the expenses of the legislative reference



1 bureau during fiscal year 2007-2008, including equipment
2 relating to computer systems programming and operations.

3 The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by
4 the legislative reference bureau.

5 SECTION 10. There is appropriated out of the general
6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$971,500, or so much
7 thereof as may be necessary, to the office of the ombudsman for
8 defraying the expenses of the office during fiscal year
9 2007-2008.

10 The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by
11 the ombudsman.

12 SECTION 11. There is appropriated out of the general
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the following sums, or so much
14 thereof as may be necessary, for defraying the expenses of the
15 legislative information system:

16 (1) \$900,000 to the senate; and

17 (2) \$900,000 to the house of representatives.

18 This appropriation shall be used to pay for hardware, software,
19 consultant, installation, material, supply, and other related
20 costs associated with the legislative information system that
21 have been or will be incurred.



1 SECTION 12. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$175,000, or so much
3 thereof as may be necessary, for the legislative broadcast
4 program, including the production and distribution of television
5 broadcasts of legislative proceedings.

6 The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by
7 the legislature for the purposes of this section.

8 SECTION 13. Except for moneys in the audit revolving fund,
9 as of the close of business on June 30, 2008, the unexpended or
10 unencumbered balance of any appropriation made by this Act shall
11 lapse into the general fund.

12 SECTION 14. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
13 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and sections 37-91 and
14 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined
15 that the general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2006-
16 2007 has already been exceeded by \$90,137,694 or 1.68 per cent.
17 The appropriations contained in this Act will cause the state
18 general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2006-2007 to be
19 exceeded by an additional \$21,339,523, or an additional 0.40 per
20 cent. The calculation contained in the foregoing sentence
21 relates only to the amount of general funds appropriated in this
22 Act for fiscal year 2006-2007. The reasons for exceeding the



1 general fund expenditure ceiling are that the appropriations
2 made in this Act are necessary to serve the public interest and
3 to meet the needs provided for by this Act.

4 SECTION 15. Each section of this Act is declared to be
5 severable from the remainder of this Act.

6 SECTION 16. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



JAMES R. AIONA, JR.

ACTING GOVERNOR

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Approved this day: FEB 20 2007

