## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AEROSPACE DEVELOPMENT.

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

1	SECTION 1. Hawaii's diverse natural resources, unique
2	geographic terrain, first-class technological infrastructure,
3	and resident scientific and engineering expertise make our
4	island state an ideal location to develop, grow, and sustain a
5	wide variety of aerospace-related activities that can
6	significantly benefit scientific research, K-12 and university
7	education, and innovative commercial enterprise statewide. In
8	recognition of this potential, the legislature appropriated
9	\$400,000 in Act 149, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, to support the
10	development of a Pacific international space center for
11	exploration systems on the island of Hawaii.
12	As a result of the funding; the Pacific international space
13	center for exploration systems:
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(1) Established an office at the University of Hawaii at Hilo, hired an interim director and co-director, and formed a coordination team;

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1	(2)	Implemented a national student design competition,
2		with Honolulu community college taking first prize;
3	(3)	Organized and held its first international conference;
4	(4)	Assisted in initiating a new curriculum for aerospace
5		studies at the University of Hawaii at Hilo, and in
6		forming collaborative research and development teams
7		linking University of Hawaii faculty with the National
8		Aeronautics and Space Administration field centers and
9		mainland universities; and
10	(5)	Received nationally competitive National Aeronautics
11		and Space Administration innovative partnership
12		program grants totaling \$640,000 to fund the operation
13		of field tests in Hawaii to develop innovative
14		technologies supporting robotic and human missions to
15		the moon.
16	The j	purpose of this Act is to build on the accomplishments
17	to date a	nd the rapidly growing national and international
18	interest	in the Pacific international space center for
19	explorati	on systems by providing continuing funding for the
20	Pacific i	nternational space center for exploration systems in
21	fiscal ve	ar 2008-2009.

1	SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general		
2	revenues	of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$720,000 or so much	
3	thereof a	s may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the	
4	Pacific i	nternational space center for exploration systems,	
5	including:		
6	(1)	Continued staff support;	
7	(2)	Continuation of the annual international conference	
8		and the student design competition;	
9	(3)	Development of a comprehensive strategic development	
10		plan and the inception of a national capital	
11		fundraising campaign;	
12	(4)	Research for site selection for development of an	
13		analog lunar base on the island of Hawaii;	
14	(5)	Expansion of aerospace education opportunities at both	
15		K-12 and university levels statewide and education and	
16		outreach programs in local communities; and	
17	(6)	Development of grant proposals for National	
18		Aeronautics and Space Administration research funding	
19		and development of both national and international	
20		partnerships to support the long-term growth and	
21		operation of the center.	

- 1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 2 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
- 3 this Act.

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4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

INTRODUCED BY: Huminon

#### Report Title:

Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems; Appropriation

### Description:

Appropriates funds for the continuing operations of the Pacific international space center for exploration systems.