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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE PARKS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 184-3.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- "(a) There is established within the state treasury a fundto be known as the state parks special fund, into which shall be
- 5 deposited:

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- 6 All proceeds collected by the state parks programs 7 involving park user fees, any leases or concession 8 agreements, the sale of any article purchased from the 9 department to benefit the state parks programs, or any 10 gifts or contributions; provided that proceeds derived 11 from the operation of Iolani Palace shall be used to 12 supplement its educational and interpretive programs; 13 and
 - (2) Transient accommodations tax revenues pursuant to section 237D-6.5; provided that these moneys shall be expended [in response to a master plan developed in

1	coordination with the Hawaii tourism authority.] by		
2	the state parks division of the department."		
3	SECTION 2. Section 237D-6.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
4	amended to read as follows:		
5	"§237D-6.5 Remittances; distribution to counties. (a)		
6	All remittances of taxes imposed under this chapter shall be		
7	made by cash, bank drafts, cashier's check, money order, or		
8	certificate of deposit to the office of the taxation district to		
9	which the return was transmitted.		
10	(b) Revenues collected under this chapter shall be		
11	distributed as follows, with the excess revenues to be deposited		
12	into the general fund:		
13	(1) [17.3] per cent of the revenues collected under		
14	this chapter shall be deposited into the convention		
15	center enterprise special fund established under		
16	section 201B-8; provided that beginning January 1,		
17	2002, if the amount of the revenue collected under		
18	this paragraph exceeds \$33,000,000 in any calendar		
19	year, revenues collected in excess of \$33,000,000		
20	shall be deposited into the general fund;		
21	(2) [34.2] per cent of the revenues collected under		
22	this chapter shall be deposited into the tourism		

1		special fund established under section 201B-11 for
2		tourism promotion and visitor industry research;
3		provided that beginning on July 1, 2002:
4		(A) Of the first [\$1,000,000] \$ in revenues
5		deposited:
6		(i) Ninety per cent shall be deposited into the
7		state parks special fund established in
8		section 184-3.4; and
9		(ii) Ten per cent shall be deposited into the
10		special land and development fund
11		established in section 171-19 for the Hawaii
12		statewide trail and access program;
13		provided that of the [34.2] per cent, 0.5 per
14		cent shall be transferred to a sub-account in the
15		tourism special fund to provide funding for a safety
16		and security budget, in accordance with the Hawaii
17		tourism strategic plan 2005-2015; and
18	(3)	[44.8] per cent of the revenues collected under
19		this chapter shall be transferred as follows: Kauai
20		county shall receive 14.5 per cent, Hawaii county
21		shall receive 18.6 per cent, city and county of

Honolulu shall receive 44.1 per cent, and Maui county		
shall receive 22.8 per cent.		
(c) All transient accommodations taxes shall be paid into		
e state treasury each month within ten days after collection		
nd shall be kept by the state director of finance in special		
accounts for distribution as provided in [this] subsection[-]		
<u>).</u>		
$[\frac{(c)}{(c)}]$ On or before January or July 1 of each year or		
ter the disposition of any tax appeal with respect to an		
assessment for periods after June 30, 1990, the state director		
of finance shall compute and pay the amount due as provided in		
subsection (b) to the director of finance of each county to		
become a general realization of the county expendable as such,		
except as otherwise provided by law."		
SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed		
d stricken. New statutory material is underscored.		
SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.		
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Report Title:

State Parks Special Fund; Transient Accommodations Tax Revenues

Description:

Redistributes the transient accommodations tax revenues allocated to the counties and deposited into the state parks special fund and permits the state parks division of the department of land and natural resources to expend the funds. Deletes requirement that moneys in the special fund be expended in response to a master plan developed by the Hawaii tourism authority.