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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR

July 1, 2009

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

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on July 1, 2009, the following bill was signed into law:

SB1195 SD1 HD2 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ECONOMY. **ACT 167 (09)**

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

Approved by the Governor JUL 1 2009

THE SENATE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2009 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 167
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ECONOMY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 201-19, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
- "(b) The department shall submit to the legislature no
- 4 later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular
- 5 legislative session, a [written performance report on the impact
- 6 of activities of the department and attached agencies that
- 7 demonstrate their efforts to support, promote, and facilitate
- 8 the expansion and long-term-viability of emerging growth
- 9 industries including those identified in subsection (a)(1).]
- 10 report that provides an update on the criteria used to measure
- 11 growth of these emerging growth industries. In updating its
- 12 reports on growth of emerging industries each year, the
- 13 department shall develop updated measurements and analyses in
- 14 collaboration with the University of Hawaii, county economic
- 15 development boards, and private, non-profit economic research
- 16 activities."

1	SECT	ION 2. Section 226-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended to	o read as follows:
3	"§22	6-6 Objectives and policies for the economyin
4	general.	(a) Planning for the State's economy in general shall
5	be direct	ed toward achievement of the following objectives:
6	(1)	Increased and diversified employment opportunities to
7		achieve full employment, increased income and job
8		choice, and improved living standards for Hawaii's
9		people[-], while at the same time stimulating the
10		development and expansion of economic activities
11		capitalizing on defense, dual-use, and science and
12		technology assets, particularly on the neighbor
13		islands where employment opportunities may be limited.
14	(2)	A steadily growing and diversified economic base that
15		is not overly dependent on a few industries, and
16		includes the development and expansion of industries
17		on the neighbor islands.
18	(b)	To achieve the general economic objectives, it shall
19	be the po	licy of this State to:
20	(1)	Expand Hawaii's national and international marketing,
21		communication, and organizational ties, to increase
22		the State's capacity to adjust to and capitalize upon

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1	economic	changes	and	opportunities	occurring	outside
2	the State	e.				

- (2) Promote Hawaii as an attractive market for environmentally and socially sound investment activities that benefit Hawaii's people.
- (3) Seek broader outlets for new or expanded Hawaii business investments.
- (4) Expand existing markets and penetrate new markets for Hawaii's products and services.
 - (5) Assure that the basic economic needs of Hawaii's people are maintained in the event of disruptions in overseas transportation.
 - (6) Strive to achieve a level of construction activity responsive to, and consistent with, state growth objectives.
- (7) Encourage the formation of cooperatives and other favorable marketing arrangements at the local or regional level to assist Hawaii's small scale producers, manufacturers, and distributors.
- 20 (8) Encourage labor-intensive activities that are
 21 economically satisfying and which offer opportunities
 22 for upward mobility.

1	(9).	roster greater cooperation and coordination between
2		the government and private sectors in developing
3		Hawaii's employment and economic growth opportunities.
4	(10)	Stimulate the development and expansion of economic
5		activities which will benefit areas with substantial
6		or expected employment problems.
7	(11)	Maintain acceptable working conditions and standards
8		for Hawaii's workers.
9	(12)	Provide equal employment opportunities for all
10		segments of Hawaii's population through affirmative
11		action and nondiscrimination measures.
12	(13)	Stimulate the development and expansion of economic
13		activities capitalizing on defense, dual-use, and
14		science and technology assets, particularly on the
15		neighbor islands where employment opportunities may be
16		limited.
17	[(13)]	(14) Encourage businesses that have favorable
18		financial multiplier effects within Hawaii's
19		economy[-], particularly with respect to emerging
20		industries in science and technology.

1	[(14)]	(15) Promote and protect intangible resources in
2		Hawaii, such as scenic beauty and the aloha spirit,
3		which are vital to a healthy economy.
4	[-(15)-]	(16) Increase effective communication between the
5		educational community and the private sector to
6		develop relevant curricula and training programs to
7		meet future employment needs in general, and
8		requirements of new, potential growth industries in
9		particular.
10	[-(16)]	(17) Foster a business climate in Hawaiiincluding
11		attitudes, tax and regulatory policies, and financial
12		and technical assistance programsthat is conducive
13		to the expansion of existing enterprises and the
14		creation and attraction of new business and industry.
15	SECT	ION 3. Section 226-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16	amended by	y amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
17	"(b)	To achieve the agriculture objectives, it shall be
18	the polic	y of this State to:
19	(1)	Establish a clear direction for Hawaii's agriculture
20		through stakeholder commitment and advocacy.
21	(2)	Encourage agriculture by making best use of natural

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1	(3)	Provide the governor and the legislature with
2		information and options needed for prudent decision
3		making for the development of agriculture.
4	(4)	Establish strong relationships between the
5		agricultural and visitor industries for mutual
6		marketing benefits.
7	(5)	Foster increased public awareness and understanding of
8		the contributions and benefits of agriculture as a
9		major sector of Hawaii's economy.
10	(6)	Seek the enactment and retention of federal and state
11		legislation that benefits Hawaii's agricultural
12		industries.
13	. (7)	Strengthen diversified agriculture by developing an
14		effective promotion, marketing, and distribution
15		system between Hawaii's producers and consumer markets
16		locally, on the continental United States, and
17		internationally.
18	(8)	Support research and development activities that
19		[provide greater efficiency and] strengthen economic
20		productivity in agriculture[-], stimulate greater
21		efficiency, and enhance the development of new

products and agricultural by-products.

1	(9)	Enhance agricultural growth by providing public
2		incentives and encouraging private initiatives.
3	(10)	Assure the availability of agriculturally suitable
4		lands with adequate water to accommodate present and
5		future needs.
6	(11)	Increase the attractiveness and opportunities for an
7		agricultural education and livelihood.
8	(12)	Expand Hawaii's agricultural base by promoting growth
9		and development of flowers, tropical fruits and
10		plants, livestock, feed grains, forestry, food crops,
11		aquaculture, and other potential enterprises.
12	(13)	Promote economically competitive activities that
13		increase Hawaii's agricultural self-sufficiency.
14	(14)	Promote and assist in the establishment of sound
15		financial programs for diversified agriculture.
16	(15)	Institute and support programs and activities to
17		assist the entry of displaced agricultural workers
18		into alternative agricultural or other employment.
19	(16)	Facilitate the transition of agricultural lands in
20		economically nonfeasible agricultural production to
21	,	economically viable agricultural uses."

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1	SECTI	ON 4. Section 226-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by	amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
3	"(b)	To achieve the visitor industry objective, it shall
4	be the pol	licy of this State to:
5	(1)	Support and assist in the promotion of Hawaii's
6		visitor attractions and facilities.
7	(2)	Ensure that visitor industry activities are in keeping
8		with the social, economic, and physical needs and
9		aspirations of Hawaii's people.
10	(3)	Improve the quality of existing visitor destination
11		areas[-] by utilizing Hawaii's strengths in science
12		and technology.
13	(4)	Encourage cooperation and coordination between the
14		government and private sectors in developing and
15		maintaining well-designed, adequately serviced visitor
16		industry and related developments which are sensitive

to neighboring communities and activities.

Develop the industry in a manner that will continue to

provide new job opportunities and steady employment

for Hawaii's people.

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ı	(6)	Provide opportunities for Hawaii's people to obtain
2		job training and education that will allow for upward
3		mobility within the visitor industry.

- (7) Foster a recognition of the contribution of the visitor industry to Hawaii's economy and the need to perpetuate the aloha spirit.
- 7 (8) Foster an understanding by visitors of the aloha
 8 spirit and of the unique and sensitive character of
 9 Hawaii's cultures and values."
- 10 SECTION 5. Section 226-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 11 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
- "(b) To achieve the federal expenditures objective, it shall be the policy of this State to:
- 14 (1) Encourage the sustained flow of federal expenditures

 15 in Hawaii that generates long-term government civilian

 16 employment;
- 17 (2) Promote Hawaii's supportive role in national defense,

 [while remaining] in a manner consistent with Hawaii's

 19 social, environmental, and cultural goals[+] by

 20 building upon dual-use and defense applications to

 21 develop thriving ocean engineering, aerospace research

1		and development, and related dual-use technology
2		sectors in Hawaii's economy;
3	(3)	Promote the development of federally supported
4		activities in Hawaii that respect statewide economic
5		concerns, are sensitive to community needs, and
6		minimize adverse impacts on Hawaii's environment;
7	(4)	Increase opportunities for entry and advancement of
8		Hawaii's people into federal government service;
9	(5)	Promote federal use of local commodities, services,
10		and facilities available in Hawaii;
11	(6)	Strengthen federal-state-county communication and
12		coordination in all federal activities that affect
13		Hawaii; and
14	(7)	Pursue the return of federally controlled lands in
15		Hawaii that are not required for either the defense of
16		the nation or for other purposes of national
17		importance, and promote the mutually beneficial
18		exchanges of land between federal agencies, the State,
19		and the counties."
20	SECT	ION 6. Section 226-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21	amended by	v amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

1	"(b)	То	achieve	the	potential	growth	activity	objective,
2	it chall l	he th	ne nolica	z of	thic State	e to:		

- (1) Facilitate investment and employment growth in economic activities that have the potential [for growth such as] to expand and diversify Hawaii's economy, including but not limited to diversified agriculture, aquaculture, [apparel and textile manufacturing, film and television production, and energy and marine related industries.] renewable energy development, creative media, and science and technology-based sectors.
 - (2) Expand Hawaii's capacity to attract and service international programs and activities that generate employment for Hawaii's people.
 - (3) Enhance and promote Hawaii's role as a center for international relations, trade, finance, services, technology, education, culture, and the arts.
- 18 (4) Accelerate research and development of new energy19 related industries based on wind, solar, ocean, and
 20 underground resources and solid waste.

l	(5)	Promote Hawaii's geographic,	environmental,	social,
2		and technological advantages	to attract new	economic
3 .		activities into the State.		

- (6) Provide public incentives and encourage private initiative to attract new industries that best support Hawaii's social, economic, physical, and environmental objectives.
- (7) Increase research and the development of ocean-related economic activities such as mining, food production, and scientific research.
- (8) Develop, promote, and support research and educational and training programs that will enhance Hawaii's ability to attract and develop economic activities of benefit to Hawaii.
- (9) Foster a broader public recognition and understanding of the potential benefits of new, growth-oriented industry in Hawaii.
- 18 (10) Encourage the development and implementation of joint
 19 federal and state initiatives to attract federal
 20 programs and projects that will support Hawaii's
 21 social, economic, physical, and environmental
 22 objectives.

1	(11) Increase research and development of businesses and
2	services in the telecommunications and information
3	industries."
4	SECTION 7. Section 226-10.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5	amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
6	"(a) Planning for the State's economy with regard to [the
7	information industry shall be directed toward the achievement of
8	the objective of positioning Hawaii as the leading dealer in
9	information businesses and services in the Pacific Rim.]
10	telecommunications and information technology shall be directed
11	toward positioning Hawaii as a leader in broadband
12	communications and applications in the Pacific Region."
13	SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
14	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
15	SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 1 day of JUL , 2009

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII