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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESSES.

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

| 1 | SECTION 1. Chapter 429, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
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| 2 | amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated |
| 3 | and to read as follows: |
| 4 | "§429- Business management training course. Members of |
| 5 | an unincorporated nonprofit association that anticipates at the |
| 6 | time of establishment that the nonprofit association shall |
| 7 | employ not more than ten employees during its first year of |
| 8 | operation shall be required to attend a business management |
| 9 | training course administered by the department; provided that: |
| 10 | (1) The department shall not charge any fees for the |
| 11 | course; and |
| 12 | (2) The department shall waive the course requirement if |
| 13 | the members can demonstrate a reasonable level of |
| 14 | business knowledge." |
| 15 | SECTION 2. Section 26-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
| 16 | amended to read as follows: |



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| 1 | "(b) The department shall protect the interests of |
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| 2 | consumers, depositors, and investors throughout the State. It |
| 3 | shall set standards and enforce all laws and rules governing the |
| 4 | licensing and operation of, and register and supervise the |
| 5 | conduct of, trades, businesses, and professions, including |
| 6 | banks, insurance companies, brokerage firms, and other financial |
| 7 | institutions. It shall also require business management |
| 8 | training courses for any business that anticipates having not |
| 9 | more than ten employees during its first year of operations; |
| 10 | provided that: |
| 11 | (1) The department shall not charge any fees for the |
| 12 | course; and |
| 13 | (2) The department shall waive the course requirement if |
| 14 | the business can demonstrate a reasonable level of |
| 15 | business knowledge." |
| 16 | SECTION 3. Section 414-33, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
| 17 | amended to read as follows: |
| 18 | "[+] §414-33 [+] Incorporation. (a) The corporate |
| 19 | existence begins when the articles of incorporation are filed. |
| 20 | (b) The department director's filing of the articles of |
| 21 | incorporation is conclusive proof that the incorporators |
| 22 | satisfied all conditions precedent to incorporation except in a |
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| 1 | proceeding by the State to cancel or revoke the incorporation or | | | |
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| 2 | involuntarily dissolve the corporation. | | | |
| 3 | (c) Incorporators who anticipate at the time of filing | | | |
| 4 | that the corporation shall employ not more than ten employees | | | |
| 5 | during its first year of operation shall be required to attend a | | | |
| 6 | business management training course administered by the | | | |
| 7 | department; provided that: | | | |
| 8 | (1) The department shall not charge any fees for the | | | |
| 9 | course; and | | | |
| 10 | (2) The department shall waive the course requirement if | | | |
| 11 | the incorporators can demonstrate a reasonable level | | | |
| 12 | of business knowledge." | | | |
| 13 | SECTION 4. Section 414D-33, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is | | | |
| 14 | amended to read as follows: | | | |
| 15 | "§414D-33 Incorporation. (a) A corporation's existence | | | |
| 16 | begins when the articles of incorporation are filed with the | | | |
| 17 | department director. | | | |
| 18 | (b) The department director's filing of the articles of | | | |
| 19 | incorporation is conclusive proof that the incorporators | | | |
| 20 | satisfied all conditions precedent to incorporation except in a | | | |
| 21 | proceeding by the State to cancel or revoke the incorporation or | | | |
| 22 | involuntarily dissolve the corporation. | | | |

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| 1 | (c) Incorporators who anticipate at the time of filing | | |
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| 2 | that the corporation shall employ not more than ten employees | | |
| 3 | during its first year of operation shall be required to attend a | | |
| 4 | business management training course administered by the | | |
| 5 | department; provided that: | | |
| 6 | (1) The department shall not charge any fees for the | | |
| 7 | course; and: | | |
| 8 | (2) The department shall waive the course requirement if | | |
| 9 | the incorporators can demonstrate a reasonable level | | |
| 10 | of business knowledge." | | |
| 11 | SECTION 5. Section 425-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is | | |
| 12 | amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: | | |
| 13 | "(a) Whenever any general partnership is formed under the | | |
| 14 | laws of this State to do business in this State, or any general | | |
| 15 | partnership formed under the laws of any other jurisdiction | | |
| 16 | shall do business in this State, the partnership shall file in | | |
| 17 | the office of the director of commerce and consumer affairs the | | |
| 18 | registration and annual statements prescribed in this chapter. | | |
| 19 | A registration statement shall be filed by a partnership formed | | |
| 20 | under the laws of this State within thirty days after the | | |
| 21 | partnership is formed and by a partnership formed under the laws | | |
| 22 | of any other jurisdiction within thirty days after the | | |
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| 1 | commencem | ent of business in this State. Every registration |
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| 2 | statement | shall contain the following information: |
| 3 | (1) | The name of the partnership; |
| 4 | (2) | The name and address of each partner; |
| 5 | (3) | The mailing address of the partnership's principal |
| 6 | | office, the street address of the partnership's |
| 7 | | registered office in this State, and the name of its |
| 8 | | registered agent at its registered office in this |
| 9 | | State; provided that if the partnership is one formed |
| 10 | | under the laws of any other jurisdiction, the name of |
| 11 | | the jurisdiction shall also be specified; |
| 12 | (4) | The date the partnership was formed and, if the |
| 13 | | partnership is one formed under the laws of any other |
| 14 | | jurisdiction, the date the partnership commenced |
| 15 | | business in this State; and |
| 16 | (5) | The fact that none of the partners is either a minor |
| 17 | | or an incompetent person. |
| 18 | The p | partners of any partnership that anticipates at the |
| 19 | time of re | egistration that the partnership shall employ not more |
| 20 | than ten e | employees during its first year of operation shall be |
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22 administered by the department; provided that:



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| 1 | (1) The department shall not charge any fees for the |
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| 2 | course; and |
| 3 | (2) The department shall waive the course requirement if |
| 4 | the partners can demonstrate a reasonable level of |
| 5 | business knowledge." |
| 6 | SECTION 6. Section 428-202, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
| 7 | amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: |
| 8 | "(b) The existence of a limited liability company begins |
| 9 | when the articles of organization are filed. The members of any |
| 10 | limited liability company that anticipate at the time of filing |
| 11 | that the limited liability company shall employ not more than |
| 12 | ten employees during its first year of operation shall be |
| 13 | required to attend a business management training course |
| 14 | administered by the department; provided that: |
| 15 | (1) The department shall not charge any fees for the |
| 16 | course; and |
| 17 | (2) The department shall waive the course requirement if |
| 18 | the members can demonstrate a reasonable level of |
| 19 | business knowledge." |
| 20 | SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of the general |
| 21 | revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so |
| 22 | much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and |
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1 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal 2 year 2010-2011 for the establishment and implementation of a 3 business management training course for small businesses. 4 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department 5 of commerce and consumer affairs for the purposes of this Act. 6 SECTION 8. This Act does not affect rights and duties that 7 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were 8 begun, before its effective date. 9 SECTION 9. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 10. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Small Businesses; Training

Description:

Requires business registrants with 10 or fewer anticipated employees to attend business management training courses.

