

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR.

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

1 The legislature finds that chapter 390, Hawaii 2 Revised Statutes, protects the right of minors, who are at least 3 fourteen years old but under sixteen years old, by providing an 4 interval of at least thirty consecutive minutes for a rest or 5 lunch period for no more than five continuous hours of work. 6 Likewise, the legislature finds that, although Act 172, Session 7 Laws of Hawaii 1999, prohibited employers from disallowing an employee to express breast milk during any meal period or other 8 9 break period required by law, neither state law nor federal wage 10 and hour law currently requires employers to provide employees 11 sixteen years of age or older any meal period or rest break, no 12 matter how many consecutive hours the employee may be required 13 Employees who must work a full day or eight-hour shift 14 or more, regardless of age or sex should not be denied a 15 reasonable period of time to rest and consume a meal, as is 16 commonly required by other states such as California, Oregon, 17 and Washington.

1	SECTION 2. Section 387-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended to read as follows:
3	"§387-3 Maximum hours. (a) No employer [shall], except
4	as otherwise provided in this section, <u>shall</u> employ any employee
5	for a workweek longer than forty hours unless the employee
6	receives overtime compensation for the employee's employment in
7	excess of the hours above specified at a rate not less than one
8	and one-half times the regular rate at which the employee is
9	employed.
10	For the purposes of this section,
11	(1) "Salary" means a predetermined wage, exclusive of the
12	reasonable cost of board, lodging, or other
13	facilities, at which an employee is employed each pay
14	period; and
15	(2) If an employee performs two or more different kinds of
16	work for the same employer, the total earnings for all
17	such work for the pay period shall be considered to
18	have been earned for performing one kind of work.
19	(b) The regular rate of an employee who is employed on a

(1) If the employee is employed on a weekly salary, the weekly salary and the reasonable cost of board,

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salary shall be computed as follows:

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1	lodging,	or other	facilities,	if furnished	to	the
2	employee,	shall be	e divided by	forty[+] <u>;</u>		

- (2) If the employee is employed on a biweekly salary, the biweekly salary and the reasonable cost of board, lodging, or other facilities, if furnished to the employee, shall be divided by two and the quotient divided by forty[-];
- (3) If the employee is employed on a semi-monthly salary, the semi-monthly salary and the reasonable cost of board, lodging, or other facilities, if furnished to the employee, shall be multiplied by twenty-four, the product divided by fifty-two and the quotient divided by forty[-]; and
 - (4) If the employee is employed on a monthly salary, the monthly salary and the reasonable cost of board, lodging, or other facilities if furnished to the employee, shall be multiplied by twelve, the product divided by fifty-two and the quotient divided by forty.
- (c) The regular rate of an employee who is employed on a salary and in addition receives other wages such as, but not limited to, commissions, bonus, piecework pay, and hourly or



- 1 daily pay shall be computed in the manner provided in this
- 2 subsection. As used hereinabove, the term "other wages" shall
- 3 not include the reasonable cost of board, lodging, or other
- 4 facilities.

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(1) If the employee's salary and the reasonable cost of
 board, lodging, or other facilities, if furnished to

7 the employee, equal or exceed fifty per cent of the

8 employee's total earnings for the pay period, the

9 total earnings shall be reduced to a regular rate in

the manner provided in paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (4)

of subsection (b), whichever is applicable [-]; and

12 (2) If the employee's salary and the reasonable cost of

board, lodging, or other facilities, if furnished to

the employee, are less than fifty per cent of the

employee's total earnings for the pay period, the

total earnings shall be reduced to a regular rate in

the manner provided in paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (4)

of subsection (b), whichever is applicable, except

that the actual number of hours worked in the workweek

shall be substituted for the final divisor of forty.

21 Such an employee shall receive overtime compensation

for employment in excess of forty hours in a workweek

1	at a rate not less than one-half times the employee's
2	regular rate.
3	(d) The regular rate of an employee whose compensation is
4	based on other than salary shall be computed in the manner
5	provided in [paragraph (2) of] subsection [(c).] (c)(2). The
6	reasonable cost of board, lodging, or other facilities, if
7	furnished to the employee, shall be included in computing the
8	employee's regular rate. Such an employee shall receive
9	overtime compensation for such employment in excess of forty
10	hours in a workweek at a rate not less than one-half times the
11	employee's regular rate.
12	(e) An employer,
13	(1) Who is engaged in agriculture and in the first
14	processing of milk, buttermilk, whey, skim milk, or
15	cream into dairy products, or in the processing of
16	sugar cane molasses or sugar cane into sugar (but not
17	refined sugar) or into syrup, or in the first
18	processing of or in canning or packing any
19	agricultural or horticultural commodity, or in
20	handling, slaughtering, or dressing poultry or
21	livestock; or

1	(2)	Who is engaged in agriculture and whose agricultural
2		products are processed by an employer who is engaged
3		in a seasonal pursuit or in processing, canning, or
4		packing operations referred to in paragraph (1); or
5	(3)	Who is at any place of employment engaged primarily in
6		the first processing of, or in canning or packing
7		seasonal fresh fruits;
8	shall not	be required to pay overtime compensation for hours in
9	excess of	forty in a workweek to any of the employer's employees
10	during an	y of twenty different workweeks, as selected by the
11	employer,	in any yearly period commencing July 1, for employment
12	in any pla	ace where the employer is so engaged. The employer,
13	however,	shall pay overtime compensation for such employment in
14	excess of	forty-eight hours in any such exempt workweek at the
15	rate and	in the manner provided in subsections (a), (b), (c) and
16	(d), which	hever is applicable, except that the word "forty-eight"
17	shall be	substituted for the word "forty" wherever it appears in
18	subsection	ns (b), (c), and (d).
19	(f)	No employer shall employ any employee in split shifts
20	unless al	l of the shifts within a period of twenty-four hours
21	fall with	in a period of fourteen consecutive hours, except in
22	case of e	xtraordinary emergency.

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         (g) No employer shall require any employee to work more
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    than a total of five hours without a scheduled interval of no
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    period, as described in title 29 Code of Federal Regulations
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    section 785.19; provided that a collective bargaining agreement
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    does not otherwise contain express provisions for employee meal
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    breaks; provided further that if an employee who is scheduled to
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    work a total of six hours chooses, the employee may be allowed
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    to work uninterrupted for five hours and thirty minutes without
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    a bona fide meal period, to complete the scheduled work hours at
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    least thirty minutes early. This subsection shall not apply to
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    any employer who is the operator of a continuously operating
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    facility that is regulated by an environmental permit; provided
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    that an on-duty meal period is provided. This subsection shall
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    not apply to an employer who is subject to title 49 Code of
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    Federal Regulations part 395.
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         \left[\frac{g}{g}\right] (h) This section shall not apply to any overtime
    hours worked by an employee of an air carrier subject to Title
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    II of the Railway Labor Act, 45 U.S.C. section 181 et seq.;
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    provided such overtime hours are the result of a voluntary
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    agreement between employees to exchange work time or days off."
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1	SECT	ION 3. Section 387-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended b	y amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
3	"(b)	Liability to employee. An employer shall be liable
4	to an emp	loyee for the following violations:
5	(1)	Any employer who violates any provision of sections
6		387-2 and 387-3 shall be liable to the employee or
7		employees affected in the amount of their unpaid
8		minimum wages or unpaid overtime compensation, and in
9		case of wilful violation in an additional equal amount
10		as liquidated damages[+]; and
11	(2)	Any employer who does not provide a meal break as
12		required by section 387-3(g) shall be liable to the
13		employee affected in the amount of one and one half
14		times the employee's hourly rate of pay for each meal
15		break not provided; provided that the one and one half
16		times the hourly rate penalty shall be computed based
17		on the employee's regular wage at the time the
18		infraction occurred."
19	SECT	ION 4. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
20	matured,	penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
21	begun bef	ore its effective date.

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- 1 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Meal Breaks; Employees

Description:

Requires employers to provide meal breaks for employees who work more than a total of five hours a day. Imposes penalties on employers who fail to provide meal breaks. Clarifies that the employer's liability is based on an employee's regular wage at the time the infraction occurred.

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