### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE ALLOWANCES.

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

1	SECTION 1. Section 24-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended to read as follows:
3	"§24-4 Allowance for expenses while on official
4	legislative business during period of recess and interim
5	official legislative business. (a) When a session of the
6	legislature is recessed for more than three days pursuant to a
7	concurrent resolution or for any interim official legislative
8	business, a member of the legislature while on official
9	legislative business on the island of the member's legal
10	residence and when authorized by the presiding officer of the
11	respective house, shall receive an allowance [of \$10 a day] to
12	cover personal expenses.
13	(b) When a session of the legislature is recessed for more
14	than three days pursuant to the mandatory recess required by
15	article III, section 10, of the [Constitution] Hawaii state
16	constitution or a concurrent resolution or for any interim
17	official legislative business, a member of the legislature who
18	is required to remain away from the island of the member's legal

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1	residence	but within the State overnight or longer while on	
2	official	legislative business and when authorized by the	
3	presiding	officer of the respective house, shall receive an	
4	allowance to cover all personal expenses such as board, lodging		
5	and incidental expenses but not travel expenses. The allowance		
6	under this [section] subsection shall be set at a single rate		
7	that will:		
8	(1)	Not exceed the greater of the maximum allowance for	
9		such expenses payable to any public officer or	
10		employee of the federal government or the State;	
11	(2)	Be reasonably calculated to cover the expenses	
12		specified in this section; and	
13	(3)	Be determined jointly by the president of the senate	
14		and the speaker of the house of representatives for	
15		the legislature as a whole."	
16	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed		
17	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.		
18	SECT	ION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.	
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### Report Title:

Legislative Allowance

#### Description:

Amends statutes relating to the per diem allowance for legislators when on official legislative business.

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