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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SERVICE AWARDS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "\$302A- Employees; annual bonus. No employee hired or
- 5 whose contract is renewed after July 1, 2013, and whose salary
- 6 is more than \$275,000 shall receive an annual bonus or award in
- 7 excess of \$25,000."
- 8 SECTION 2. Section 78-29, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
- 10 "(b) The programs may provide for cash awards to recognize
- 11 suggestions, inventions, superior accomplishments, length of
- 12 service, and other personal or group efforts[-]; provided that
- 13 no annual cash award in excess of \$25,000 shall be awarded to
- 14 any employee hired or whose contract is renewed after July 1,
- 15 2013, and whose base salary is more than \$275,000. A cash award
- 16 shall be in addition to the employee's regular compensation.
- 17 The acceptance of a cash award shall constitute an agreement
- that use by the government of any idea, method, or device for



- $1\,$  which the award is made shall not form the basis of a further
- 2 claim upon the government by the employees or the employees'
- 3 heirs and assigns."
- 4 SECTION 3. Section 304A-1001, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 "[+]\$304A-1001[+] Exempt personnel. Personnel of the
- 7 university not subject to chapter 76 shall be under the
- 8 direction of the president of the University of Hawaii. The
- 9 board of regents shall appoint deans, directors, members of the
- 10 faculty, and other employees as may be required to carry out the
- 11 purposes of the institution, prescribe their salaries and terms
- 12 of service when the salaries and terms of service are not
- 13 specifically fixed by legislative enactment, and make and
- 14 enforce rules governing sabbatical and professional improvement
- 15 leaves with or without pay, consistent with the practice of
- 16 similar institutions in the United States and notwithstanding
- 17 the laws of the State relating to leaves of absence of the
- 18 officers and employees of the State[-]; provided that no annual
- 19 cash bonus or award in excess of \$25,000 shall be given to any
- 20 employee hired or whose contract is renewed after July 1, 2013,
- 21 and whose base salary is more than \$275,000."

- 1 SECTION 4. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 3 begun before its effective date.
- 4 SECTION 5. If any provision of this Act, or the
- 5 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held
- 6 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
- 7 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the
- 8 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions
- 9 of this Act are severable.
- 10 SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 12 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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### Report Title:

Public Employees; Compensation; Bonuses

### Description:

Prohibits any public employee hired or whose contract is renewed after 07/01/2013, and whose base salary is more than \$275,000 from receiving a bonus or award in excess of \$25,000.

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