A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE SMALL-SATELLITE ECONOMIC ASSESSMENT STUDY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii is unrivaled
- 2 in the United States for equatorial launches and has unequaled
- 3 potential for small-satellite launch and processing facilities.
- 4 The legislature further finds that growing private-sector
- 5 interest in establishing small-satellite launch facilities in
- 6 Hawaii demonstrates the potential of an emerging economic
- 7 sector. The legislature finds that a small-satellite economic
- 8 assessment study can validate potential markets, timeframes, and
- 9 economic drivers.
- 10 The purpose of this Act is to provide a grant for a small-
- 11 satellite economic assessment study.
- 12 SECTION 2. (a) The department of business, economic
- 13 development, and tourism, shall contract with the Pacific
- 14 international space center for exploration systems for a small-
- 15 satellite economic assessment study to analyze potential
- 16 markets, timeframes, and economic drivers of small-satellite
- 17 launch facilities in Hawaii.



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- 2 tourism shall submit a report of its findings and
- 3 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
- 4 legislature no later than twenty days before the regular session
- 5 of 2017.
- 6 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$100,000 or so much
- 8 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the
- 9 purpose of funding a small-satellite economic assessment study
- 10 to be conducted by the Pacific international space center for
- 11 exploration systems.
- 12 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 13 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
- 14 this Act.
- 15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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Report Title:

Small-Satellite Launch Facilities; Aerospace; Study; Appropriation

Description:

Authorizes a small-satellite economic assessment study to analyze potential markets, timeframes, and other drivers of small-satellite launch facilities in Hawaii. Appropriates moneys.

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