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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BUSINESS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 201, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and
- 3 to read as follows:
- 4 "PART . HAWAII PACIFIC SMALL BUSINESS CONSORTIUM
- 5 §206- Hawaii pacific small business consortium;
- 6 established; purpose; governing board; staff. (a) There is
- 7 established the Hawaii pacific small business consortium within
- 8 the department of business, economic development, and tourism
- 9 for administrative purposes. The purpose of the Hawaii pacific
- 10 small business consortium shall be to help small businesses
- 11 obtain government contracts and to develop business
- 12 opportunities for small businesses by combining their resources
- 13 to offer services and solutions to the federal, state, and
- 14 county governments and the commercial sector.
- 15 (b) The governing body of the Hawaii pacific small
- 16 business consortium shall be a board of directors having seven

. 1	members w	tho shall be appointed by the governor for staggered
2	terms pur	suant to section 26-34; provided that:
3	(1)	Each member shall have knowledge, experience, or
4		expertise in small business, international trade,
5		government contracting, or commerce;
6	(2)	No member, nor the spouse, sibling, or child of a
7		member, shall have any financial interest in a Hawaii
8		business entity, including any stock holdings;
9	(3)	No member shall be employed by the University of
10		Hawaii;
11	(4)	Starting January 1, 2018, the board of directors shall
12		expand to ten members. Three additional members shall
13		be appointed by the governor, pursuant to section 26-
14		34, to represent the business interests of foreign
15		countries in the Pacific Rim.
16	(c)	The members of the board of directors shall serve
17	without c	compensation, but may be reimbursed for expenses,

20 (d) The board of directors shall appoint an executive21 director, who shall serve at the pleasure of the board of

including travel expenses, incurred in the performance of their

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duties.

- 1 directors and shall be exempt from chapter 76. The board of
- 2 directors shall set the salary and duties of the executive
- 3 director.
- 4 (e) The Hawaii pacific small business consortium shall
- 5 submit an annual report to the legislature, no later than twenty
- 6 days prior to the convening of each regular session, on the
- 7 activities of the Hawaii pacific small business consortium and
- 8 other accomplishments in the previous fiscal year.
- 9 §206- Establishment of the Hawaii pacific small
- 10 business consortium special fund; fees charged. (a) There is
- 11 created a special fund to be known as the Hawaii pacific small
- 12 business consortium special fund into which appropriations made
- 13 by the legislature and funds collected by the Hawaii pacific
- 14 small business consortium shall be deposited.
- 15 (b) The Hawaii pacific small business consortium shall
- 16 charge businesses it assists a fee of not more than one per cent
- 17 of the net profits the business generates as a result of the
- 18 Hawaii pacific small business consortium's assistance. Revenue
- 19 from these fees shall be placed into the Hawaii pacific small
- 20 business consortium special fund.

1	(C)	runds in the Hawaii pacific small business consortium
2	special f	und shall be expended for:
3	(1)	Operation of the Hawaii pacific small business
4		consortium, including compensation for the executive
5		director;
6	(2)	The support of innovative programs that promote small
7		business development around the Pacific Rim; and
8	(3)	Issuing grants for innovative research and other
9		programs in small business development,
10		entrepreneurship, international trade, or technology
11.		development.
12	(d)	All unencumbered and unexpended moneys in excess of
13	\$15,000,000 remaining on balance in the Hawaii pacific small	
14	business consortium special fund at the close of June 30 of each	
15	year shall lapse to the credit of the state general fund."	
16	SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general	
17	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$10,000,000 or so	
18	much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 and	
19	the sum of \$3,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for	
20	fiscal year 2016-2017 for the Hawaii pacific small business	
21	consortium.	

- 1 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes 2
- 3 of this Act.

4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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### Report Title:

Hawaii Pacific Small Business Consortium

#### Description:

Establishes the Hawaii pacific small business consortium to support small business in Hawaii and the Pacific Rim.

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