A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIONS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to address
- 2 professional employer organizations.
- 3 More specifically, this Act statutorily increases the fees
- 4 imposed upon professional employer organizations. The fees are
- 5 set at amounts intended to generate sufficient revenues to
- 6 entirely fund the cost to regulate professional employer
- 7 organizations.
- 8 The legislature finds that imposing flat fee amounts, based
- 9 upon ranges of covered employees a professional employer
- 10 organization reports to the department of labor and industrial
- 11 relations, is fair and reasonable. This method is intended to
- 12 prevent smaller professional employer organizations from having
- 13 to pay the same fee amount as larger organizations.
- 14 The legislature emphasizes that the cost of regulating
- 15 professional employer organizations should be borne entirely by
- 16 the organizations through the fees. The costs should include
- 17 all direct costs as well as fringe benefit costs paid through
- 18 appropriations to the department of budget and finance. Other



- 1 regulated businesses are subject to the same financial self-
- 2 sufficiency policy. The legislature opposes subsidizing the
- 3 regulation of professional employer organizations from the
- 4 general fund.
- 5 SECTION 2. Chapter 373L, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 6 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 7 and to read as follows:
- 8 "\$373L- Report of employee count. Every professional
- 9 employer organization shall report the total number of covered
- 10 employees. The number of covered employees shall include all
- 11 covered employees who worked any hours during the period from
- 12 May 1 of the prior year through April 30 of the year in which
- 13 the report is made. The report shall be made to the department
- 14 no later than June 1 of every year."
- 15 SECTION 3. Section 373L-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 16 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
- 17 "(b) Effective [July 1, 2013,] January 1, 2017, the
- 18 director shall collect fees in the following amounts:
- 19 (1) Registration fee \$ 500

1	(2)	Biennial ren	ewal fee	[\$	750]	based upon	the count of
2	covered employees as reported to the department under						
3	section 373L- as follows:						
4 .	Less than 50 covered employees						\$2,000
5	50 - 250 covered employees						<u>\$3,000</u>
6	251 - 500 covered employees						<u>\$4,000</u>
7	501 or more covered employees						\$5,000
8	(3) Restoration fee \$1						\$1,500
9	until such time as the director amends the fees by rulemaking						
10	pursuant to chapter 91."						
11	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed						
12	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.						
13	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.						

Report Title:

Professional Employer Organizations; Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; Covered Employees; Fees

Description:

Establishes a tiered scale for the biennial renewal fees for professional employer organizations, based on the number of covered employees a professional employer organization reports to the department of labor and industrial relations. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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