# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAVEL AGENCIES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that a travel agency is
- 2 required by law to register prior to selling or advertising
- 3 travel services, and an activity desk is required to register
- 4 prior to selling, contracting for, arranging, or advertising
- 5 activities that are furnished by an activity provider. The
- 6 legislature further finds that travel agencies may sometimes act
- 7 as activity desks when the travel agencies sell or arrange
- 8 activities furnished by an activity provider for travelers
- 9 either as individual activities or as part of a tour package.
- 10 The purpose of this Act is to clarify existing law and
- 11 provide better protection to consumers who purchase activities
- 12 from travel agencies by requiring travel agencies that act as
- 13 activity desks to register as activity desks.
- 14 SECTION 2. Section 468L-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 15 amended to read as follows:
- 16 "§468L-2 Registration and renewal. (a) A travel agency
- 17 shall register with the director prior to engaging in the
- 18 business of selling or advertising to sell travel services.



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- (b) Each travel agency shall renew its registration on or
- 2 before December 31 of each odd-numbered year. A statement on a
- 3 form designed and provided by the department verifying that the
- 4 practices of the travel agency are in accordance with section
- 5 468L-5, shall be filed with the renewal.
- 6 (c) A travel agency that sells activities individually or
- 7 as part of a tour package shall register with the director as an
- 8 activity desk under section 468M-2."
- 9 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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#### Report Title:

Travel Agency; Activity Desk; Activities; Registration

### Description:

Requires a travel agency that sells activities individually or as part of a tour package to register as an activity desk. (CD1)

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