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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

RELATING TO THE STATE AND COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HAWAII  
EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND.

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

1       SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to make housekeeping  
2 amendments to sections 87A-34 and 87A-36, Hawaii Revised  
3 Statutes.

4       SECTION 2. Section 87A-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

6       "(a) This section shall apply to state and county  
7 contributions to the fund for employees specified in paragraph  
8 ~~[(1) (E)]~~ (1) (D) of the definition of "employee" in section 87A-1  
9 who:

- 10       (1) Were hired on or before June 30, 1996; and  
11       (2) Retired after June 30, 1984, with fewer than ten years  
12       of credited service, excluding sick leave."

13       SECTION 3. Section 87A-36, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
14 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

15       "(c) The State, through the department of budget and  
16 finance, and the counties, through their respective departments  
17 of finance, shall pay to the fund:

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- 1           (1) For retired employees based on the self plan with ten  
2                    or more years but fewer than fifteen years of service,  
3                    a monthly contribution equal to one-half of the base  
4                    medicare or non-medicare monthly contribution set  
5                    forth under section 87A-33(b);
- 6           (2) For retired employees based on the self plan with at  
7                    least fifteen but fewer than twenty-five years of  
8                    service, a monthly contribution equal to seventy-five  
9                    per cent of the base medicare or non-medicare monthly  
10                  contribution set forth under section 87A-33(b);
- 11          (3) For retired employees based on the self plan with  
12                  twenty-five or more years of service, a monthly  
13                  contribution equal to one-hundred per cent of the base  
14                  medicare or non-medicare monthly contribution set  
15                  forth under section 87A-33(b); and
- 16          (4) One-half of the monthly contributions for the  
17                  employee-beneficiary or employee-beneficiary with  
18                  dependent-beneficiaries upon the death of the  
19                  employee, as defined in paragraph [~~(1)~~(E)] (1) (D) of  
20                  the definition of "employee" in section 87A-1.

21            If both husband and wife are employee-beneficiaries, the  
22            total contribution by the State or county shall not exceed the

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1 monthly contribution for two supplemental medicare self or non-  
2 medicare self plans, as appropriate."

3 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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BY REQUEST

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**Report Title:**

Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund

**Description:**

Make housekeeping amendments.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Budget and Finance

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE AND COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND.

PURPOSE: To make certain housekeeping amendments to the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund statute.

MEANS: Amend sections 87A-34(a) and 87A-36(c), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

JUSTIFICATION: Act 36, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, amended the definition of "employee" in section 87A-1, HRS, by removing "(B) A per diem employee", which resulted in the redesignation of the subparagraphs that followed. However, the reference to paragraph (1)(E) was not updated to paragraph (1)(D) in sections 87A-34(a) and 87A-36(c)(4) by Act 36, so this bill will update that reference.

Impact on the public: None.

Impact on the department and other agencies: None.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM DESIGNATION: None.

OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES: None.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.