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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TOURISM.

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

PART I

SECTION 1. Section 201B-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§201B-8 Convention center ~~[enterprise]~~ operations and maintenance special fund. (a) There is established the convention center ~~[enterprise]~~ operations and maintenance special fund, into which shall be deposited:

~~[(1) A portion of the revenues from the transient accommodations tax, as provided by section 237D-6.5,~~

~~(2)]~~ (1) All revenues or moneys derived from the operations of the convention center to include all revenues from the food and beverage service, all revenues from the parking facilities or from any concession, and all revenues from the sale of souvenirs, logo items, or any other items offered for purchase at the convention center; and



1       ~~[(3)]~~ (2) Private contributions, interest, compensation,  
2               gross or net revenues, proceeds, or other moneys  
3               derived from any source or for any purpose arising  
4               from the use of the convention center facility; ~~[and~~  
5       ~~(4) Appropriations by the legislature, including any~~  
6               ~~transfers from the tourism special fund established~~  
7               ~~under section 201B-11 for marketing the facility~~  
8               ~~pursuant to section 201B-7(a)(7).]~~  
9       provided that all moneys in excess of \$6,000,000 shall be  
10       deposited into the general fund.

11           (b) Moneys in the convention center ~~[enterprise]~~  
12       operations and maintenance special fund shall be used by the  
13       authority for the payment of any and all of the following:

14       ~~[(1) Debt owed to the department of budget and finance~~  
15               ~~relating to the convention center; and~~

16       ~~(2)]~~ (1) Expenses arising from any and all use, operation,  
17               maintenance, alteration, improvement, or any  
18               unforeseen or unplanned repairs of the convention  
19               center, including without limitation the food and  
20               beverage service and parking service provided at the  
21               convention center facility, the sale of souvenirs,



1 logo items, or other items, for any future major  
2 repair, maintenance, and improvement of the convention  
3 center facility as a commercial enterprise or as a  
4 world class facility for conventions, entertainment,  
5 or public events, and for marketing the facility  
6 pursuant to section 201B-7(a)(7) [-]; and

7 (2) Salaries for convention center personnel.

8 (c) Moneys in the convention center [~~enterprise~~]  
9 operations and maintenance special fund may be:

10 (1) Placed in interest-bearing accounts; provided that the  
11 depository in which the money is deposited furnishes  
12 security as provided in section 38-3; or

13 (2) Otherwise invested by the authority until such time as  
14 the moneys may be needed; provided that the authority  
15 shall limit its investments to those listed in section  
16 36-21.

17 All interest accruing from investment of the moneys shall be  
18 credited to the convention center [~~enterprise~~] operations and  
19 maintenance special fund."

20 SECTION 2. Section 201B-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
21 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:



1       "(c) Moneys in the tourism special fund shall be used by  
2 the authority for the purposes of this chapter[7]; provided  
3 that:

4       (1) ~~[Not]~~ No more than [3.5 per cent of this amount]  
5       \$2,800,000 shall be used for administrative expenses[7  
6       ~~including \$15,000 for a protocol fund to be expended~~  
7       ~~at the discretion of the president and chief executive~~  
8       ~~officer]~~; [and]

9       (2) ~~[At least \$1,000,000 shall be made available to~~  
10       ~~support efforts to manage, improve, and protect~~  
11       ~~Hawaii's natural environment and areas frequented by~~  
12       ~~visitors.]~~ No more than \$49,200,000 shall be used for  
13       marketing expenses;

14       (3) No more than \$2,500,000 shall be used for research  
15       expenses; and

16       (4) No more than \$5,800,000 shall be used for sports  
17       marketing expenses.

18       For the purposes of this subsection, "administrative  
19       expenses" means office equipment, salaries, and supplies."

20       SECTION 3. Section 237D-6.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
21 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:



1       "(b) Except for the revenues collected pursuant to section  
2 237D-2(e), revenues collected under this chapter shall be  
3 distributed in the following priority, with the excess revenues  
4 to be deposited into the general fund:

5       (1) \$1,500,000 shall be allocated to the Turtle Bay  
6 conservation easement special fund beginning July 1,  
7 2015, for the reimbursement to the state general fund  
8 of debt service on reimbursable general obligation  
9 bonds, including ongoing expenses related to the  
10 issuance of the bonds, the proceeds of which were used  
11 to acquire the conservation easement and other real  
12 property interests in Turtle Bay, Oahu, for the  
13 protection, preservation, and enhancement of natural  
14 resources important to the State, until the bonds are  
15 fully amortized;

16       ~~[(2) \$26,500,000 shall be allocated to the convention~~  
17 ~~center enterprise special fund established under~~  
18 ~~section 201B-8;~~

19       ~~[(3) \$82,000,000]~~ (2) \$60,300,000 shall be allocated to  
20 the tourism special fund established under section  
21 201B-11; provided that:



1 (A) Beginning on July 1, 2012, and ending on June 30,  
2 2015, \$2,000,000 shall be expended from the  
3 tourism special fund for development and  
4 implementation of initiatives to take advantage  
5 of expanded visa programs and increased travel  
6 opportunities for international visitors to  
7 Hawaii; and

8 (B) Of the [~~\$82,000,000~~] \$60,300,000 allocated[+  
9 ~~(i)~~], \$1,000,000 shall be allocated for the  
10 operation of a Hawaiian center and the museum of  
11 Hawaiian music and dance at the Hawaii convention  
12 center; [and

13 ~~(ii) 0.5 per cent of the \$82,000,000 shall be~~  
14 ~~transferred to a sub-account in the tourism~~  
15 ~~special fund to provide funding for a safety~~  
16 ~~and security budget, in accordance with the~~  
17 ~~Hawaii tourism strategic plan 2005-2015; and~~

18 ~~(C) Of the revenues remaining in the tourism special~~  
19 ~~fund after revenues have been deposited as~~  
20 ~~provided in this paragraph and except for any sum~~  
21 ~~authorized by the legislature for expenditure~~



1                   ~~from revenues subject to this paragraph,~~  
2                   ~~beginning July 1, 2007, funds shall be deposited~~  
3                   ~~into the tourism emergency special fund,~~  
4                   ~~established in section 201B-10, in a manner~~  
5                   ~~sufficient to maintain a fund balance of~~  
6                   ~~\$5,000,000 in the tourism emergency special fund,~~  
7       (4)] (3)   \$103,000,000 shall be allocated as follows:  
8                   Kauai county shall receive 14.5 per cent, Hawaii  
9                   county shall receive 18.6 per cent, city and county of  
10                  Honolulu shall receive 44.1 per cent, and Maui county  
11                  shall receive 22.8 per cent; provided that commencing  
12                  with fiscal year 2018-2019, a sum that represents the  
13                  difference between a county public employer's annual  
14                  required contribution for the separate trust fund  
15                  established under section 87A-42 and the amount of the  
16                  county public employer's contributions into that trust  
17                  fund shall be retained by the state director of  
18                  finance and deposited to the credit of the county  
19                  public employer's annual required contribution into  
20                  that trust fund in each fiscal year, as provided in  
21                  section 87A-42, if the respective county fails to



1           remit the total amount of the county's required annual  
2           contributions, as required under section 87A-43; ~~[and~~  
3       ~~(5)]~~ (4) \$3,000,000 shall be allocated to the special land  
4           and development fund established under section 171-19;  
5           provided that the allocation shall be expended ~~[in~~  
6           ~~accordance with the Hawaii tourism authority strategic~~  
7           ~~plan]~~ for:

8           (A) The protection, preservation, maintenance, and  
9           enhancement of natural resources, including  
10          beaches, important to the visitor industry;

11          (B) Planning, construction, and repair of facilities;  
12          and

13          (C) Operation and maintenance costs of public lands,  
14          including beaches, connected with enhancing the  
15          visitor experience~~[+]~~;

16       (5) \$16,500,000 shall be allocated to the department of  
17       business, economic development, and tourism; provided  
18       that the funds allocated shall be expended for other  
19       economic development initiatives and programs;

20       (6) \$3,500,000 shall be allocated to the department of  
21       education; provided that the department of education





1 shall administer a grant program to allow schools to  
2 apply for funding for K-12 education-related economic  
3 development initiatives and programs related to  
4 hospitality and tourism industry careers and related  
5 post-secondary education programs for career technical  
6 education, adult education, and early college programs  
7 for the hospitality and tourism industry career  
8 pathways; provided further that the department of  
9 education shall submit an annual report of its  
10 expenditures pursuant to this paragraph to the  
11 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the  
12 convening of each regular session of the legislature;  
13 (7) \$7,891,000 shall be allocated to the University of  
14 Hawaii system; provided that of the funds allocated:  
15 (A) \$4,999,070 shall be allocated to University of  
16 Hawaii community colleges statewide for academic  
17 programs relating to a hospitality and tourism  
18 industry career pathway; and  
19 (B) \$2,891,930 shall be allocated to four-year  
20 University of Hawaii campuses for academic



1 programs relating to a hospitality and tourism  
2 industry career pathway;

3 (8) \$3,000,000 shall be allocated to University of Hawaii  
4 athletics; provided that the funds allocated shall be  
5 expended for student athlete travel;

6 (9) \$9,608,554 shall be allocated to the department of  
7 land and natural resources; provided that the funds  
8 allocated shall be expended to address the impact of  
9 tourism on the natural resources of the State and  
10 support efforts to manage, improve, and protect  
11 Hawaii's natural environment and areas frequented by  
12 visitors to the State. Funds shall be allocated as  
13 follows:

14 (A) \$2,908,554 shall be allocated to the division of  
15 state parks and expended for contracts for county  
16 lifeguards at the following state parks:

17 (i) Makena state park, county of Maui;

18 (ii) Haena state park, county of Kauai;

19 (iii) Hapuna beach state park, county of Hawaii;

20 and



1           (iv) Kaena point state park, city and county of  
2                           Honolulu;

3           (B) \$1,400,000 shall be allocated to the division of  
4                           state parks for park management, including  
5                           management of comfort stations, maintenance of  
6                           park grounds and trails, and expenditures  
7                           relating to refuse collection and disposal,  
8                           utilities, parking congestion, and personnel;

9           (C) \$1,500,000 shall be allocated to the division of  
10                          conservation and resources enforcement to be  
11                          allocated and expended for:

12           (i) Increased maintenance, monitoring,  
13                           patrolling, and enforcement at state small  
14                           boat harbors and state parks;

15           (ii) The engagement of members of the public,  
16                           especially visitors to the State, who use  
17                           state small boat harbors and state parks, to  
18                           provide education on administrative rule  
19                           requirements in an effort to reduce  
20                           violations and prevent repeated violations;



1            (iii) Dedicated staff to concentrate efforts and  
2            conduct regular patrols at state small boat  
3            harbors and state parks; and

4            (iv) Regular maintenance of equipment, tools, and  
5            supplies to ensure officers are prepared to  
6            patrol in any environment;

7            (D) \$1,200,000 shall be allocated to the division of  
8            aquatic resources; provided that the funds  
9            allocated shall be expended for:

10           (i) The development of public service  
11           announcements and other materials regarding  
12           the impact of public and commercial uses of  
13           aquatic resources on coral reefs and other  
14           marine life, and regarding good practices by  
15           visitors and residents to protect corals,  
16           monk seals, whales, dolphins, turtles, and  
17           other marine life; and

18           (ii) Monitoring marine resources in marine life  
19           conservation districts, including but not  
20           limited to Kealakekua bay in the county of  
21           Hawaii, Molokini shoal and Honolua bay in



1 the county of Maui, Hanauma bay and Waikiki  
2 in the city and county of Honolulu, and  
3 other protected areas, such as Haena in the  
4 county of Kauai, to inform appropriate  
5 management and ensure the sustainability of  
6 these marine resources;

7 (E) \$1,200,000 shall be allocated to the division of  
8 forestry and wildlife for:

9 (i) Increased maintenance, personnel, and site  
10 improvement costs, especially for high-use  
11 areas, of state trail and road features;

12 (ii) Increased staff site visits to address  
13 various issues associated with trail  
14 management, including issues with trailhead  
15 parking within small communities;

16 (iii) Conducting regularly scheduled maintenance  
17 for state trails;

18 (iv) Locating and developing off-highway-vehicle  
19 sites statewide that meet the needs of all  
20 off-highway-vehicle users;



1           (v) Increasing enforcement efforts to combat  
2           vandalism;

3           (vi) Installing and maintaining signs and other  
4           infrastructure; and

5           (vii) Improving the Na Ala Hele program by  
6           protecting and expanding legal access to  
7           trails and public rights-of-way; and

8           (F) \$1,400,000 shall be allocated to the division of  
9           boating and ocean recreation and expended for:

10          (i) The cleanup of marine debris and abandoned  
11          and grounded vessels;

12          (ii) The operation of the day use mooring buoy  
13          program;

14          (iii) Addressing marine debris and abandoned and  
15          grounded vessels on beaches, shorelines, and  
16          in nearshore waters impacting public health  
17          and safety;

18          (iv) Engaging the public, especially ocean users,  
19          through education and safety campaigns  
20          regarding marine debris and the day use  
21          mooring buoy program;



1           (v) Partnering with federal agencies to address  
2           the effects of marine debris;

3           (vi) Sponsoring scientific surveys of shoreline  
4           marine debris density; and

5           (vii) The installation and maintenance of buoys in  
6           the day use mooring buoy program and to  
7           reduce damage to the marine environment,  
8           potential marine debris, and prevalence of  
9           grounded vessels;

10       (10) \$8,000,000 shall be allocated as follows:

11           (A) \$2,000,000 to the county of Hawaii;

12           (B) \$2,000,000 to the county of Kauai;

13           (C) \$2,000,000 to the county of Maui; and

14           (D) \$2,000,000 to the city and county of Honolulu;

15       provided that the funds allocated shall be expended to  
16       ensure the safety of visitors to county parks and  
17       beaches; and

18       (11) \$8,000,000 shall be expended on grants, pursuant to  
19       chapter 42F, to include but not be limited to Hawaiian  
20       cultural initiatives, product development, community



As used in this subsection, "fiscal year" means the twelve-month period beginning on July 1 of a calendar year and ending on June 30 of the following calendar year."

PART II

SECTION 4. Section 36-27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) Except as provided in this section, and notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, from time to time, the director of finance, for the purpose of defraying the prorated estimate of central service expenses of government in relation to all special funds, except the:

- (1) Special out-of-school time instructional program fund under section 302A-1310;
- (2) School cafeteria special funds of the department of education;



- 1 (3) Special funds of the University of Hawaii;
- 2 (4) State educational facilities improvement special fund;
- 3 (5) Convention center [~~enterprise~~] operations and
- 4 maintenance special fund under section 201B-8;
- 5 (6) Special funds established by section 206E-6;
- 6 (7) Aloha Tower fund created by section 206J-17;
- 7 (8) Funds of the employees' retirement system created by
- 8 section 88-109;
- 9 (9) Hawaii hurricane relief fund established under chapter
- 10 431P;
- 11 (10) Hawaii health systems corporation special funds and
- 12 the subaccounts of its regional system boards;
- 13 (11) Tourism special fund established under section 201B-
- 14 11;
- 15 (12) Universal service fund established under section 269-
- 16 42;
- 17 (13) Emergency and budget reserve fund under section 328L-
- 18 3;
- 19 (14) Public schools special fees and charges fund under
- 20 section 302A-1130;
- 21 (15) Sport fish special fund under section 187A-9.5;



1     [+] (16) [+] Neurotrauma special fund under section 321H-4;  
2     [+] (17) [+] Glass advance disposal fee established by section  
3             342G-82;  
4     [+] (18) [+] Center for nursing special fund under section 304A-  
5             2163;  
6     [+] (19) [+] Passenger facility charge special fund established by  
7             section 261-5.5;  
8     [+] (20) [+] Solicitation of funds for charitable purposes special  
9             fund established by section 467B-15;  
10    [+] (21) [+] Land conservation fund established by section 173A-5;  
11    [+] (22) [+] Court interpreting services revolving fund under  
12             section 607-1.5;  
13    [+] (23) [+] Trauma system special fund under section 321-22.5;  
14    [+] (24) [+] Hawaii cancer research special fund;  
15    [+] (25) [+] Community health centers special fund;  
16    [+] (26) [+] Emergency medical services special fund;  
17    [+] (27) [+] Rental motor vehicle customer facility charge special  
18             fund established under section 261-5.6;  
19    [+] (28) [+] Shared services technology special fund under section  
20             27-43;



1     [+] (29) [+] Automated victim information and notification system  
2             special fund established under section 353-136;  
3     [+] (30) [+] Deposit beverage container deposit special fund under  
4             section 342G-104;  
5     [+] (31) [+] Hospital sustainability program special fund under  
6             [+]section 346G-4 [+] ;  
7     [+] (32) [+] Nursing facility sustainability program special fund  
8             under [+]section 346F-4 [+] ;  
9     [+] (33) [+] Hawaii 3R's school improvement fund under section  
10            302A-1502.4;  
11    [+] (34) [+] After-school plus program revolving fund under  
12            section 302A-1149.5; and  
13    [+] (35) [+] Civil monetary penalty special fund under section  
14            321-30.2,  
15 shall deduct five per cent of all receipts of all other special  
16 funds, which deduction shall be transferred to the general fund  
17 of the State and become general realizations of the State. All  
18 officers of the State and other persons having power to allocate  
19 or disburse any special funds shall cooperate with the director  
20 in effecting these transfers. To determine the proper revenue  
21 base upon which the central service assessment is to be



1 calculated, the director shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
2 91 for the purpose of suspending or limiting the application of  
3 the central service assessment of any fund. No later than  
4 twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session of  
5 the legislature, the director shall report all central service  
6 assessments made during the preceding fiscal year."

7 SECTION 5. Section 36-30, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
8 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

9 "(a) Each special fund, except the:

- 10 (1) Special out-of-school time instructional program fund  
11 under section 302A-1310;
- 12 (2) School cafeteria special funds of the department of  
13 education;
- 14 (3) Special funds of the University of Hawaii;
- 15 (4) State educational facilities improvement special fund;
- 16 (5) Special funds established by section 206E-6;
- 17 (6) Aloha Tower fund created by section 206J-17;
- 18 (7) Funds of the employees' retirement system created by  
19 section 88-109;
- 20 (8) Hawaii hurricane relief fund established under chapter  
21 431P;



- 1           (9)   Convention center [~~enterprise~~] operations and  
2                 maintenance special fund established under section  
3                 201B-8;
- 4           (10)   Hawaii health systems corporation special funds and  
5                 the subaccounts of its regional system boards;
- 6           (11)   Tourism special fund established under section 201B-  
7                 11;
- 8           (12)   Universal service fund established under section 269-  
9                 42;
- 10          (13)   Emergency and budget reserve fund under section 328L-  
11                 3;
- 12          (14)   Public schools special fees and charges fund under  
13                 section 302A-1130;
- 14          (15)   Sport fish special fund under section 187A-9.5;
- 15    [+] (16) [+] Neurotrauma special fund under section 321H-4;
- 16    [+] (17) [+] Center for nursing special fund under section 304A-  
17                 2163;
- 18    [+] (18) [+] Passenger facility charge special fund established by  
19                 section 261-5.5;
- 20    [+] (19) [+] Court interpreting services revolving fund under  
21                 section 607-1.5;



[+] (20) [+] Trauma system special fund under section 321-22.5;

[+] (21) [+] Hawaii cancer research special fund;

[+] (22) [+] Community health centers special fund;

[+] (23) [+] Emergency medical services special fund;

[+] (24) [+] Rental motor vehicle customer facility charge special

fund established under section 261-5.6;

[+] (25) [+] Shared services technology special fund under section

27-43;

[+] (26) [+] Nursing facility sustainability program special fund

established pursuant to [+]section 346F-4[+];

[+] (27) [+] Automated victim information and notification system

special fund established under section 353-136;

[+] (28) [+] Hospital sustainability program special fund under

[+]section 346G-4[+]; and

[+] (29) [+] Civil monetary penalty special fund under section

321-30.2,

shall be responsible for its pro rata share of the

administrative expenses incurred by the department responsible

for the operations supported by the special fund concerned."

SECTION 6. Section 87A-42, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:



1       "(d) In any fiscal year subsequent to the 2017-2018 fiscal  
2 year in which a county public employer's contributions into the  
3 fund are less than the amount of the annual required  
4 contribution, the amount that represents the excess of the  
5 annual required contribution over the county public employer's  
6 contributions shall be deposited into the fund from a portion of  
7 all transient accommodations tax revenues collected by the  
8 department of taxation under section [~~237D-6.5(b)(4)~~].  
9 237D-6.5(b)(3). The director of finance shall deduct the amount  
10 necessary to meet the county public employer's annual required  
11 contribution from the revenues derived under section  
12 [~~237D-6.5(b)(4)~~] 237D-6.5(b)(3) and transfer the amount to the  
13 board for deposit into the appropriate account of the separate  
14 trust fund."

15       SECTION 7. Section 171-19, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

17       "(a) There is created in the department a special fund to  
18 be designated as the "special land and development fund".  
19 Subject to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920, as  
20 amended, and section 5(f) of the Admission Act of 1959, all  
21 proceeds of sale of public lands, including interest on deferred



1 payments; all moneys collected under section 171-58 for mineral  
2 and water rights; all rents from leases, licenses, and permits  
3 derived from public lands; all moneys collected from lessees of  
4 public lands within industrial parks; all fees, fines, and other  
5 administrative charges collected under this chapter and chapter  
6 183C; a portion of the highway fuel tax collected under chapter  
7 243; all moneys collected by the department for the commercial  
8 use of public trails and trail accesses under the jurisdiction  
9 of the department; transient accommodations tax revenues  
10 collected pursuant to section [~~237D-6.5(b)(5);~~] 237D-6.5(b)(4);  
11 and private contributions for the management, maintenance, and  
12 development of trails and accesses shall be set apart in the  
13 fund and shall be used only as authorized by the legislature for  
14 the following purposes:

- 15 (1) To reimburse the general fund of the State for  
16 advances made that are required to be reimbursed from  
17 the proceeds derived from sales, leases, licenses, or  
18 permits of public lands;
- 19 (2) For the planning, development, management, operations,  
20 or maintenance of all lands and improvements under the  
21 control and management of the board pursuant to title





12, including but not limited to permanent or temporary staff positions who may be appointed without regard to chapter 76; provided that transient accommodations tax revenues allocated to the fund shall be expended as provided in section

~~[237D-6.5(b)(5);]~~ 237D-6.5(b)(4);

(3) To repurchase any land, including improvements, in the exercise by the board of any right of repurchase specifically reserved in any patent, deed, lease, or other documents or as provided by law;

(4) For the payment of all appraisal fees; provided that all fees reimbursed to the board shall be deposited in the fund;

(5) For the payment of publication notices as required under this chapter; provided that all or a portion of the expenditures may be charged to the purchaser or lessee of public lands or any interest therein under rules adopted by the board;

(6) For the management, maintenance, and development of trails and trail accesses under the jurisdiction of the department;



1 (7) For the payment to private land developers who have  
2 contracted with the board for development of public  
3 lands under section 171-60;

4 (8) For the payment of debt service on revenue bonds  
5 issued by the department, and the establishment of  
6 debt service and other reserves deemed necessary by  
7 the board;

8 (9) To reimburse the general fund for debt service on  
9 general obligation bonds issued to finance  
10 departmental projects, where the bonds are designated  
11 to be reimbursed from the special land and development  
12 fund;

13 (10) For the protection, planning, management, and  
14 regulation of water resources under chapter 174C; and

15 (11) For other purposes of this chapter."

16 SECTION 8. Section 201B-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
17 amended by amending subsection (f) to read as follows:

18 "(f) The board shall appoint one person to serve as  
19 president and chief executive officer, exempt from chapters 76  
20 and 88 who shall oversee the authority staff; provided that the  
21 compensation package, including salary, shall not exceed fifteen



1 per cent of the [~~3.5 per cent~~] \$2,800,000 authorized for  
2 administrative expenses under section 201B-11(c); [~~and~~] provided  
3 further that the compensation package shall not include private  
4 sector moneys or other contributions. The board shall set the  
5 president and chief executive officer's duties,  
6 responsibilities, holidays, vacations, leaves, hours of work,  
7 and working conditions. It may grant other benefits as it deems  
8 necessary."

9 SECTION 9. Section 201B-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
10 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

11 "(a) There is established outside the state treasury a  
12 tourism emergency special fund to be administered by the board,  
13 into which shall be deposited the revenues prescribed by  
14 [~~section 237D-6.5(b).~~] \_\_\_\_\_. All investment earnings from  
15 moneys in the special fund shall be credited to the tourism  
16 special fund established pursuant to section 201B-11."

17 PART III

18 SECTION 10. The department of budget and finance may  
19 cancel the reimbursable general obligation bond debt relating to  
20 the convention center owed by the Hawaii tourism authority to  
21 the department of budget and finance in the principal amount of



1 \$176,805,289 or so much thereof as may be owed, together with  
2 any accrued and unpaid interest.

3 PART IV

4 SECTION 11. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 12. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.



**Report Title:**

Hawaii Tourism Authority; Convention Center Operations and Maintenance Special Fund; TAT; Debt

**Description:**

Renames the Convention Center Enterprise Special Fund as the Convention Center Operations and Maintenance Special Fund, repeals the allocation of transient accommodations tax revenues to that fund, amends the allowable uses of that fund, and adds a cap to the amount of moneys deposited into the fund. Defines administrative expenses as used in section 201B-11(c), HRS, as office equipment, salaries, and supplies. Caps the amount of money from the Tourism Special Fund that can be used for research and sports marketing expenses. Redistributes transient accommodations tax revenue from the Hawaii Tourism Authority to different state agencies for certain purposes. Authorizes the Department of Budget and Finance to cancel the reimbursable general obligation bond debt relating to the Convention Center that is owed by the Hawaii Tourism Authority. (SD1)

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