A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 237D-6.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 3 Except for the revenues collected pursuant to section "(b) 4 237D-2(e), revenues collected under this chapter shall be 5 distributed in the following priority, with the excess revenues 6 to be deposited into the general fund: 7 \$1,500,000 shall be allocated to the Turtle Bay (1)8 conservation easement special fund beginning July 1, 9 2015, for the reimbursement to the state general fund 10 of debt service on reimbursable general obligation 11 bonds, including ongoing expenses related to the 12 issuance of the bonds, the proceeds of which were used 13 to acquire the conservation easement and other real 14 property interests in Turtle Bay, Oahu, for the protection, preservation, and enhancement of natural 15 16 resources important to the State, until the bonds are 17 fully amortized;

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1	(2)	\$26,500,000 shall be allocated to the convention
2		center enterprise special fund established under
3		section 201B-8;
4	(3)	\$82,000,000 shall be allocated to the tourism special
5		fund established under section 201B-11; provided that:
6		(A) Beginning on July 1, 2012, and ending on June 30,
7		2015, \$2,000,000 shall be expended from the
8		tourism special fund for development and
9		implementation of initiatives to take advantage
10		of expanded visa programs and increased travel
11		opportunities for international visitors to
12		Hawaii;
13		(B) Of the \$82,000,000 allocated:
14		(i) \$1,000,000 shall be allocated for the
15		operation of a Hawaiian center and the
16		museum of Hawaiian music and dance at the
17		Hawaii convention center; and
18		(ii) 0.5 per cent of the \$82,000,000 shall be
19		transferred to a sub-account in the tourism
20		special fund to provide funding for a safety

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1 and security budget, in accordance with the 2 Hawaii tourism strategic plan 2005-2015; and 3 (C) Of the revenues remaining in the tourism special 4 fund after revenues have been deposited as 5 provided in this paragraph and except for any sum 6 authorized by the legislature for expenditure 7 from revenues subject to this paragraph, beginning July 1, 2007, funds shall be deposited 8 9 into the tourism emergency special fund, established in section 201B-10, in a manner 10 11 sufficient to maintain a fund balance of 12 \$5,000,000 in the tourism emergency special fund; 13 (4) \$103,000,000 shall be allocated as follows: Kauai 14 county shall receive 14.5 per cent, Hawaii county 15 shall receive 18.6 per cent, city and county of 16 Honolulu shall receive 44.1 per cent, and Maui county 17 shall receive 22.8 per cent; provided that commencing 18 with fiscal year 2018-2019, a sum that represents the 19 difference between a county public employer's annual 20 required contribution for the separate trust fund 21 established under section 87A-42 and the amount of the

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1		county p	ublic employer's contributions into that trust
2		fund sha	ll be retained by the state director of
3		finance	and deposited to the credit of the county
4		public e	mployer's annual required contribution into
5		that tru	st fund in each fiscal year, as provided in
6		section	87A-42, if the respective county fails to
7		remit th	e total amount of the county's required annual
8		contribu	tions, as required under section 87A-43; [and]
9	(5)	\$3,000,0	00 shall be allocated to the special land and
10		developm	ent fund established under section 171-19;
11		provided	that the allocation shall be expended in
12		accordan	ce with the Hawaii tourism authority strategic
13		plan for	:
14		(A) The	protection, preservation, maintenance, and
15		enh	ancement of natural resources, including
16		bea	ches, important to the visitor industry;
17		(B) Pla	nning, construction, and repair of facilities;
18		and	
19		(C) Ope	ration and maintenance costs of public lands,
20		inc	luding beaches, connected with enhancing the
21		vis	itor experience[+]; and

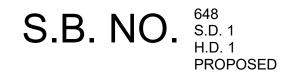
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1	(6)	Beginning July 1, 2018, and ending December 31, 2030,
2		in addition to any amounts allocated pursuant to
3		paragraph (4), the following amounts shall be
4		allocated to the counties of Kauai, Hawaii, and Maui:
5		(A) The county of Kauai shall receive \$9,425,000;
6		(B) The county of Hawaii shall receive \$12,090,000;
7		and
8		(C) The county of Maui shall receive \$14,820,000;
9		provided that the moneys allocated pursuant to this
10		paragraph shall be expended on projects authorized
11		under a county's general plan, development plan, or
12		tourism strategic plan. Each county receiving moneys
13		pursuant to this paragraph shall submit to the
14		legislature, no later than twenty days prior to the
15		convening of each regular session, a report that
16		details how the moneys allocated pursuant to this
17		paragraph were expended and the plan under which the
18		project falls.
19	All	transient accommodations taxes shall be paid into the
20	state tre	asury each month within ten days after collection and

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1	shall be kept by the state director of finance in special
2	accounts for distribution as provided in this subsection.
3	As used in this subsection, "fiscal year" means the twelve-
4	month period beginning on July 1 of a calendar year and ending
5	on June 30 of the following calendar year."
6	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
8	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
9	provided that this Act shall be repealed on December 31, 2030,
10	and section 237D-6.5(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be
11	reenacted in the form in which it read on the day prior to the
12	effective date of this Act.





Report Title:

Transient Accommodations Tax; Counties

Description:

Allocates additional transient accommodations tax revenues from 7/1/2018 until December 31, 2030 to the counties of Kauai, Hawaii, and Maui. Sunset 12/31/2030. (SB648 HD1 PROPOSED)

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