A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VISITOR INFORMATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that tourism is the
- 2 State's leading industry. According to the department of
- 3 business, economic development, and tourism, the primary source
- 4 of income for Hawaii is the visitor sector, which spreads itself
- 5 over several industries such as service, transportation, and
- 6 retail trade. The legislature finds that the Capitol district
- 7 located in Honolulu is a historical, cultural, educational, and
- 8 recreational hub for visitors and residents.
- 9 Each year, the Capitol district draws many visitors to see
- 10 and experience the historical sites and attractions in the area,
- 11 including the state capitol, Iolani Palace, Washington Place,
- 12 Honolulu Hale, Kawaiaha'o church, Hawaii state art museum, Queen
- 13 Lili'uokalani statue, and Father Damien statue, among others.
- 14 The legislature finds that a visitor information center located
- 15 in the state capitol would serve as a reliable and informative
- 16 resource for informing and educating visitors about the historic
- 17 and cultural aspects of the state capitol and its grounds and

1 facilities, while also serving as an effective community 2 information service to residents. 3 SECTION 2. Section 6E-34.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 4 amended by amending subsection (f) to read as follows: 5 "(f) The state capitol management committee shall: 6 Approve all policies and procedures relating to the (1) 7 general operation and management of the state capitol 8 and its grounds and facilities, including parking, 9 building access, building operation hours, and general 10 security policies; 11 (2) Develop and recommend to the legislature capital 12 improvement, programmatic, and operational priorities 13 that require fiscal resources to maintain and enhance 14 the appearance and operation of the state capitol and 15 its grounds and facilities; 16 Review and authorize the repair and maintenance (3) 17 schedule for the state capitol, its grounds and facilities, and any other capital improvement projects 18 19 relating to the upkeep, renovation, restoration, use,

and maintenance of the state capitol and its grounds

and facilities; [and]

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1	(4)	Review and authorize, but not execute, the expenditure
2		of any moneys appropriated to and allocated by the
3		department of budget and finance, accounting and
4		general services, or public safety for the state
5		capitol and its grounds and facilities $[-]$; and
6	(5)	Establish a visitor information center to serve as a
7		permanent source for informing and educating visitors
8		about the historic and cultural aspects of the state
9		capitol and its grounds and facilities and as an
10		effective community information service to residents.
11	SECT	ION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
12	revenues	of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
13	much ther	eof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and
14	the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary	
15	for fiscal year 2020-2021 for the purposes of this Act.	
16	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department	
17	of accounting and general services for the purposes of this Act	
18	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed	
19	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.	
20	SECT	ION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

Report Title:

State Capitol; Visitor Information Center; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes a Visitor Information Center in the State Capitol. Appropriates funds. Takes effect 7/1/2022. (SD1)

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