### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The State of Hawaii has formal sister state
- 2 relations with eighteen foreign states. Significant
- 3 anniversaries are planned to be recognized and celebrated in
- 4 2020 with Okinawa, Japan and Ilocos Norte, Philippines, and in
- 5 2021 with Fukuoka, Japan; Jeju, Korea; and Ilocos Sur, Cebu, and
- 6 Isabella, Philippines.
- 7 Additional funding for the department of business, economic
- 8 development, and tourism international sister state relations
- 9 program is needed to support the business and trade missions;
- 10 conferences, symposiums, and seminars; and educational and
- 11 cultural exchanges to be conducted in conjunction with the
- 12 respective sister state anniversary recognition celebrations.
- 13 The purpose of this Act is to provide support for the
- 14 international sister state relations program of the department
- 15 of business, economic development, and tourism.

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- 1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$100,000 or so much
- 3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for the
- 4 support of international sister state relations (BED100).
- 5 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 6 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
- 7 this Act.
- 8 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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#### Report Title:

Budget; Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; International Affairs; Operating Expenses; Appropriation

### Description:

Makes an appropriation for operating expenses of DBEDT.

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