
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ADEQUATE RESERVE FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 383-63, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending the definition of "adequate reserve fund" to
3 read as follows:
4 ""Adequate reserve fund" means an amount that is equal to
5 the amount derived by multiplying the benefit cost rate that is
6 the highest during the ten-year period ending on November 30 of
7 each year by the total remuneration paid by all employers, with
8 respect to all employment for which contributions are payable
9 during the last four calendar quarters ending on June 30 of the
10 same year, as reported on contribution reports filed on or
11 before October 31 of the same year. [~~"Remuneration", as used in
12 this definition, means wages as defined in section 383-10.~~] For
13 the purpose of determining the highest benefit cost rate, the
14 benefit cost rate for the first twelve-consecutive-calendar-
15 month period beginning with the first day of the first month of
16 the ten-year period and for each succeeding twelve-consecutive-



1 calendar-month period beginning with the first day of each
2 subsequent month shall be computed.

3 Effective for the calendar years 1992 through 2007, and for
4 calendar year 2011, "adequate reserve fund" means an amount that
5 is equal to the amount derived by multiplying the benefit cost
6 rate that is the highest during the ten-year period ending on
7 November 30 of each year by the total remuneration paid by all
8 employers, with respect to all employment for which
9 contributions are payable during the last four calendar quarters
10 ending on June 30 of the same year, as reported on contribution
11 reports filed on or before October 31 of the same year.

12 ~~["Remuneration", as used in this definition, means wages as
13 defined in section 383-10. For the purpose of determining the
14 highest benefit cost rate, the benefit cost rate for the first
15 twelve consecutive calendar month period beginning with the
16 first day of the first month of the ten year period and for each
17 succeeding twelve consecutive calendar month period beginning
18 with the first day of each subsequent month shall be computed.]~~

19 Effective for the calendar years 2023 through 2030,
20 "adequate reserve fund" means an amount equal to the amount
21 derived by multiplying the benefit cost rate that is the highest



1 during the ten-year period ending on November 30 of each year by
2 the total remuneration paid by all employers, with respect to
3 all employment for which contributions are payable during the
4 last four calendar quarters ending on June 30 of the same year,
5 as reported on contribution reports filed on or before October
6 31 of the same year, but shall not include the benefit cost rate
7 from June 2020 through August 2021.

8 "Remuneration", as used in this definition, means wages as
9 defined in section 383-10."

10 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Hawaii Employment Security Law; Employer Contributions; Adequate Reserve Fund; Benefit Cost Rate

Description:

Amends the definition of Adequate Reserve Fund for calendar years 2023 through 2030 to exclude the Benefit Cost Rate from June 2020 through August 2021. (SD1)

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