



GOV. MSG. NO. 1307

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
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JOSH GREEN, M.D.
GOVERNOR
KE KIA'ĀINA

July 3, 2023

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate,
and Members of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, and Members of the
House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 3, 2023, the following bill was signed into law:

SB1163 SD1 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL.
ACT 204

Sincerely,

Josh Green, M.D.
Governor, State of Hawai'i

on JUL 3 2023

ACT 204

THE SENATE
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023
STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 1163
S.D. 1
H.D. 1
C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL.

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

1 SECTION 1. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
2 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,
3 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the
4 appropriations contained in H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, S.D. 1,
5 C.D. 1, and this Act will cause the state general fund
6 expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2023-2024 to be exceeded by
7 \$1,063,917,367 or 11.0 per cent. This current declaration takes
8 into account general fund appropriations authorized for fiscal
9 year 2023-2024 in H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, and this
10 Act only. The reasons for exceeding the general fund
11 expenditure ceiling are that:

12 (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to
13 serve the public interest; and

14 (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs
15 addressed by this Act.

16 SECTION 2. The legislature finds that for more than
17 seventy-five years, the civil air patrol has assisted emergency
18 management agencies throughout the nation with response and



1 recovery efforts during and after a disaster. The civil air
2 patrol is a non-profit organization and an auxiliary of the
3 United States Air Force, and its missions include emergency
4 services, aerospace education, and cadet programs. Civil air
5 patrol members are volunteers who serve as pilots, scanners, and
6 ground crew to fulfill its mission.

7 The legislature further finds that the civil air patrol
8 emergency response and recovery activities have included search
9 and rescue efforts, damage assessments, aerial photography of
10 impacted areas, alerts and notifications, and the transportation
11 of supplies. Most recently, the civil air patrol conducted
12 aerial reconnaissance of the State after the severe weather
13 incident in December 2021. The photographs were instrumental in
14 documenting the damage to roadways on the island of Maui and
15 were included in the State's application for a federal disaster
16 declaration. Similar missions were conducted on the island of
17 Hawaii during the Kilauea volcanic eruptions and on the island
18 of Kauai during the recent flood events. In situations where
19 the State has been threatened by a tsunami, the civil air patrol
20 was called upon to alert remote areas by using speakers mounted



1 to civil air patrol aircraft in areas not serviced by outdoor
2 alert system speakers.

3 The legislature also finds that the Hawaii wing of the
4 civil air patrol conducted these activities for years with state
5 funding for operational expenses. However, that funding ceased
6 in 2019.

7 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
8 funds for civilian auxiliary aviation operations of the type
9 performed by the civil air patrol.

10 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$150,000 or so much
12 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 for
13 civilian auxiliary aviation services, which may include search
14 and rescue, damage assessments, aerial photography of impacted
15 areas, alerts and notifications, and transportation of supplies.

16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
17 defense for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.



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APPROVED this **3rd** day of **July**, 2023



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: MAY 04 2023
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023.


President of the Senate


Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 1163, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: **MAY 04 2023**
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023.



Scott K. Saiki
Speaker
House of Representatives



Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives