

ACT 184

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Auditor and Making an Appropriation Therefor.

Be it Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 2-31 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 2-31. Auditor; appointment, tenure, removal, salary, qualifications. The auditor shall be appointed, hold office for such term and be subject to removal in the manner prescribed in section 8, article VI, of the Constitution. The salary of the auditor shall be fixed by the legislature and shall not be diminished during the auditor’s term of office.”

SECTION 2. Section 2-37 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 2-37. Assistants and staff. In the performance of his duties, the auditor may employ the services of one or more certified public accountants or accounting firms, and such other assistants and clerical workers as may be necessary, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed such sums as may be available out of the appropriation provided by law for the conduct of his office and provided further, that such accountants, firms, and assistants are entirely independent of the departments, offices and agencies of the State and its political subdivisions whose affairs are subject to audit by the auditor. All employees shall be hired by the auditor subject to the approval of the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives and shall serve at his pleasure; provided, that in the establishment of the salary of each such employee the auditor shall consult with the department of personnel services and shall follow as closely as possible the recommendations of such department; and provided further, that the salary of the first assistant or first deputy shall not exceed a sum equal to ninety-five per cent of the salary of the auditor. The auditor and his full time staff shall be entitled to participate in any employee benefit program privileges.”

SECTION 3. Part III of chapter 2 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

“Sec. 2-39. Salary of the auditor and appropriations. The salary of the auditor shall be \$19,000 per annum. The funds for the support of the auditor’s office shall henceforth be provided for in the Act providing for the expenses of the legislature.”

SECTION 4. There is hereby appropriated from the general revenues of the State, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, to pay for the expenses of the office of the auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964.

The money so appropriated shall be expended by warrants issued by the comptroller upon vouchers approved by the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate, or by such person as may be authorized by the speaker and the president, or upon the auditor's own voucher, if so authorized by the speaker and the president.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 3, 1963.) **H.B. 19.**
