Session Laws of Hawaii Passed By The Sixth State Legislature Regular Session 1972

ACT 1

H. B. NO. 1639-72

A Bill for an Act Making Appropriations to Provide for the Expenses of the Legislature, the Legislative Auditor, and the Ombudsman.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general funds of the State the sum of \$769,184, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for defraying the pre-session, interim session and other expenses of the Senate for the Regular Session of 1972, Sixth State Legislature of the State of Hawaii, and for the period up to and including January 16, 1973.

SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated from the general funds of the State the sum of \$995,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for defraying the pre-session, interim session and other expenses of the House of Representatives for the Regular Session of 1972, Sixth State Legislature of the State of Hawaii, and for the period up to and including January 16, 1973.

SECTION 3. Any unencumbered balances of the appropriations provided for in sections 1 and 2 remaining at the close of the Regular Session of 1972 are hereby appropriated to defray any and all expenses of the Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively, including but without limitation to the generality of the foregoing, the expenses of any committee or committees established by either the Senate or the House of Representatives and the pre-session expenses of the Regular Session of 1973, Seventh State Legislature of the State of Hawaii. Payment of such expenses of the Senate shall be made only with the approval of the President of the Senate, and payment of such expenses of the House of Representatives shall be made only with the approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SECTION 4. Before January 17, 1973, the Senate and the House of Representatives shall have their accounts audited and a full report of such audit shall be presented to the Senate and to the House of Representatives of the Legislature convening on January 17, 1973.

SECTION 5. The expenses of any member of the Legislature while traveling abroad on official business of the Legislature shall not be limited by the provision of section 78-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, or by any other general statute. Until otherwise prescribed by law, the expenses of such

member shall be \$45 per day and authorized by the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively.

SECTION 6. There is hereby appropriated from the general funds of the State the sum of \$192,573, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to the office of the ombudsman for defraying the expenses of the office during the fiscal year 1972-73.

SECTION 7. There is hereby appropriated from the general funds of the State the sum of \$1,596,906 to the office of the legislative auditor for the following expenses: (a) the sum of \$691,906, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for defraying the expenses of the office of the legislative auditor for the fiscal year 1972-73; (b) the sum of \$70,000 (4.0), or so much thereof as may be necessary, for defraying the expenses of the office of the state ethics commission during the fiscal year 1972-73; (c) the sum of \$150,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended upon approval of this Act, for the purpose of performing special studies, improving capabilities for planning, programming and budgeting, and fulfilling other special requests made of the legislative auditor by the legislature or jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House; (d) the sum of \$685,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended during the fiscal year 1972-73. for interim legislative studies, for contractual services for such studies, for training and other operating expenses to continue the development of the legislature's planning, programming and budgeting capabilities, for equipment relating to computer systems programming and operations for the purpose of improving the efficiency of legislative operations including, but not limited to, bill drafting, statutory and information retrieval, status of legislative actions, and reproductions of legislative material and for such other purposes as may be determined by the joint action of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or of the Senate and the House of Representatives through the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SECTION 8. Each section of this Act is hereby declared to be severable from the remainder of this Act.

SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved January 31, 1972.)