H.B. NO. 2264-74

A Bill for an Act Relating to a Marine Exposition in Hawaii.

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

SECTION 1. Findings and declaration of necessity. The legislature hereby finds and declares that:

- (1) The original "Hawaii and the Sea" report having recommended that an international marine exposition be held, the legislature appropriated \$30,000 by way of Act 137, Session Laws of Hawaii 1970, for the investigation and preliminary planning of such an exposition;
- (2) The preliminary investigation was completed and indicated that such an exposition is feasible, provided proper planning was initiated and federal and local support (both financial and moral) was secured;
- (3) Following this, the legislature mandated the creation of a Hawaii Bicentennial Marine Exposition Commission, and outlined the duties and responsibilities of that commission, by way of Act 131, Session Laws of Hawaii 1972:
- (4) After considerable deliberation, the commission determined that while Hawaii does have an obligation to celebrate its own bicentennial in 1978, an exposition sanctioned by the Bureau of International Exposition, as originally proposed, would not be in the best interests of the people and State of Hawaii;
- (5) The commission further determined that an all-Hawaii marine exposition should be held under the State's own rules and regulations, to show how a high quality of life and environment can be achieved through proper regard for, and use of, the sea;
- (6) In order for the commission to proceed further with the planning and implementing of such an all-Hawaii marine exposition in 1978, both an amendment to Act 131, Session Laws of Hawaii 1972, and an appropriation is required.

SECTION 2. Section 4 of Act 131, Session Laws of Hawaii 1972, is amended to read:

## "Section 4. Powers and duties. The commission shall:

- (1) Make a detailed study to implement the holding of a proposed international marine exposition in the State of Hawaii in the latter half of 1977, or the first half of 1978, and in either event encompassing January, 1978.
- (2) Choose an exposition site or sites and concept prior to the end of calendar year 1972.
- (3) Formulate and submit to the governor plans for an independent non-profit corporation which will assist the commission in the planning and development of the international marine exposition.
- (4) Coordinate and direct the planning and promotion of the international marine exposition.
- (6) Direct and coordinate events during the international marine exposition in 1977 and 1978.
- () Contract for services as may be necessary, provided funds are available for such pruposes."

SECTION 3. Appropriation. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$20,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the planning and promotion of an all-Hawaii marine exhibition in 1978.

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material or the underscoring.\*

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 6, 1974.)

<sup>\*</sup>Edited accordingly.