ACT 190

H.B. NO. 1751-84

A Bill for an Act Relating to Sharing Occupational and Career Information.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there is a need to share occupational and educational information between complementary entities and jurisdictions due to common economic, environmental, employment, and cultural bases and processes. Many job seekers come to Hawaii from states and territories without knowing about local employment conditions and requirements. Significant social and economic burdens can be placed on Hawaii due to

mismatches between the preparation these job seekers have had and the needs of the Hawaii labor market. It would be to the benefit of Hawaii to share this information with states and territories, as well as with counties in Hawaii and private entities. States and territories would benefit by knowing Hawaii's demands so that they could better inform their citizens of opportunities and barriers. Also, Hawaii can benefit in its economic relationships with states and territories by exchanging labor market information with these areas.

The purpose of this Act is to provide for the possibility of sharing occupational and educational information among Hawaii, counties, states, territories, and other public and private entities to their mutual benefit. No cost is to be incurred by Hawaii for services given. The Hawaii career information delivery system program of the department of labor and industrial relations is authorized by this Act to receive such cost reimbursements for services and information rendered, and such reimbursements shall be deposited into the state general fund.

SECTION 2. Chapter 373C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to Part IV to read:

"§373C-34 Authorization to receive cost reimbursements. The department of labor and industrial relations may make such agreements or contracts as are approved by the governor with any county, city, state, territory, association, society, or person for the purpose of sharing occupational and education information used for career choice and job search purposes. The general fund appropriation shall include the projected income for the terms and conditions of the resulting agreements or contracts for the purposes set forth herein. All moneys received for the sharing of occupational and educational information shall be deposited into the state general fund."

SECTION 3. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the powers of the department of labor and industrial relations hereinbefore expressed or to impower the department to obligate the State financially in any sum which has not been appropriated by the legislature for the use of the department. All moneys received for the purposes set forth in this Act shall be deposited into the state general fund as reimbursement for the authorized expenses set forth herein. The net result would be no additional cost to the state.

SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.1

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

(Approved May 29, 1984.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.