

ACT 278

H.B. NO. 2431

A Bill for an Act Relating to Culture and the Arts.

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

SECTION 1. In accordance with Section 9 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and sections 37-91 and 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the appropriation contained in this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 1992-1993 to be exceeded by \$50,000, or 0.0016 per cent. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure ceiling are that the appropriation made in this Act is necessary to serve the public interest and to meet the need provided for by this Act.

SECTION 2. The legislature finds that since the arrival of the first Korean immigrants to Hawaii in January 13, 1903, the Korean people have made many significant contributions to the well-being and development of the State. The strong traditions of perseverance and hard work, and the rich culture and proud heritage of the Koreans have been, and continue to be, positive influences upon Hawaii's unique lifestyle and people. It is appropriate to recognize the invaluable contributions and rich history of the Korean people in 1993, on the celebrated occasion of the ninetieth anniversary of the arrival of the first Korean people in Hawaii.

The purpose of this Act is to establish an executive committee to recognize and to provide for the celebration of the ninetieth anniversary of the arrival of the first Korean people in Hawaii.

SECTION 3. Creation of the Korean celebration executive committee.

There is established a temporary executive committee to be known as the Korean celebration executive committee, which shall have charge of all arrangements for the commemoration of the ninetieth anniversary of the arrival of the first Koreans in Hawaii. The executive committee shall be placed within the office of the governor for administrative purposes and shall cease to exist after June 30, 1994.

SECTION 4. Membership; compensation.

The executive committee shall consist of seventeen members to be appointed by the governor without regard to section 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Members shall represent the community at-large. The governor shall designate the chair of the executive committee from among the appointed members. The members shall not receive compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses, including travel expenses, incurred in the performance of their duties under this Act.

SECTION 5. Powers and duties.

The executive committee shall prepare an overall program to celebrate the ninetieth anniversary of the arrival of the first Korean people in Hawaii, their significant contributions to the development of the State, their achievements, and their culture and heritage. The executive committee shall develop, plan, and coordinate the various program activities scheduled throughout the year of the celebration, as well as encourage the participation of all segments of the Korean community. The executive committee shall consider any related plans and programs developed by Korean community organizations and other interested private and public organizations or agencies from whose members the executive committee may designate special committees to plan, develop, or coordinate specific projects or activities.

The executive committee shall submit to the governor a comprehensive report for the ninetieth anniversary celebration, which shall include, but not be limited to:

- (1) The production, publication, and distribution of books, films, and other educational materials on the life and experiences of Koreans in Hawaii;
- (2) Conferences, convocations, lectures, and seminars; and
- (3) Ceremonies, theatrical productions, and other special events commemorating the anniversary.

SECTION 6. Cooperation.

In fulfilling its responsibilities, the executive committee shall consult, cooperate with, and seek the advice from Korean community organizations and other appropriate organizations or agencies.

SECTION 7. Trust fund established.

There is hereby created a trust fund to be known as the ethnic celebration trust fund that shall consist of payments made to the trust fund as provided in this Act. All moneys received by the executive committee shall be deposited by the director of finance into the trust fund and expended by the executive committee for the purposes of this Act. Disbursement of the moneys shall be by state warrants issued in accordance with applicable laws and rules and shall be based on vouchers signed by the chair of the executive committee.

The executive committee may seek grants from public and private sources and may accept donations to finance the projects, programs, and activities of the ninetieth anniversary celebration.

ACT 278

All property acquired by the executive committee shall be deposited for preservation in the state library system, museums, or public archives or shall otherwise be disposed of as directed by the executive committee.

SECTION 8. Final report. At the end of its term, the executive committee shall submit to the governor a final report of all its activities, including an accounting of all money received and disbursed.

SECTION 9. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1992-1993, to carry out the purposes of this Act.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the office of the governor for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 10. This Act shall take effect upon its approval and shall be repealed on June 30, 1994; provided that section 8¹ of this Act shall take effect on July 1, 1992.

(Approved June 19, 1992.)

Note

1. So in original.