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S.B. NO. 2404

A Bill for an Act Making an Appropriation for Expenses of the 2005 National Association of Counties Meeting in Honolulu.

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

SECTION 1. The city and county of Honolulu is hosting the 2005 National Association of Counties Annual Conference and Exposition from Friday, July 15, to Tuesday, July 19, 2005, at the Hawaii convention center. The city will be assisted by the Hawaii State Association of Counties, an organization comprised of all county councils of the State. The conference is expected to draw between seven thousand five hundred and ten thousand attendees and guests. If eight thousand attendees attend the conference, according to statistics from the Hawaii convention center, the State will benefit because it is estimated that \$24,000,000 will be generated in visitor spending for Hawaii and more than \$2,084,000 will be generated in state tax revenues.

SECTION 2. 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 2004-2005 for the city and county of Honolulu to host the 2005 National Association of Counties Annual Conference and Exposition, to be matched by the city and county of Honolulu on a dollar-for-dollar basis.

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The sum appropriated shall be expended by the city and county of Honolulu for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2004.

(Became law on July 13, 2004, without the Governor's signature, pursuant to Art III, §16, State Constitution.)