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H.B. NO. 1214

A Bill for an Act Relating to the State-County Functions Working Group.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the office of the auditor requires funding for the state-county functions working group established by Act 174, Session Laws of Hawaii 2014. The working group was established to evaluate, among other things, the division of duties and responsibilities between the State and counties relating to the provision of public services.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the office of the auditor to carry out the purposes of the working group.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the \$103,000,000 of transient accommodations tax revenues allocated to the counties pursuant to section 237D-6.5(b)(3), Hawaii Revised Statutes, the sum of \$165,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 as follows:

- (1) \$15,000 to pay for the actual expenses incurred and expected to be made by the working group; and
- (2) \$150,000 to procure consultant services to assist the working group to:

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- (A) Evaluate the division of duties and responsibilities between the State and counties relating to the provision of public services; and
- (B) Develop methodologies to determine the appropriate allocation of transient accommodations tax revenues between the State and the counties that properly reflects the division of duties and responsibilities relating to the provision of public services.

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

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

(Approved June 19, 2015.)