

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 201, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to part IX to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§201- State media industry development liaison; establishment. (a) There is established within the creative industries division of the department a state media industry development liaison to plan, develop, and execute a state-wide media industry development strategy to include all counties in the State for the purposes of establishing a collaborative media industry development program.

(b) The state media industry development liaison shall be appointed by the director of business, economic development, and tourism without regard to chapter 76.”

SECTION 2. Each position existing within the film industry branch of the creative industries division of the department of business, economic development, and tourism as of July 1, 2022, shall retain the civil service status and duties of that respective position.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$60,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to establish and fill one full-time equivalent (1.00 FTE) state media industry development liaison position exempt from chapter 76, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$33,600 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to establish and fill one full-time equivalent (1.00 FTE) administrative assistant position within the creative industries division of the department of business, economic development, and tourism.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 5. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

(Approved June 27, 2022.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.