
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 237D-6.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3 "(b) Revenues collected under this chapter shall be
4 distributed as follows:

5 (1) 17.3 per cent of the revenues collected under this
6 chapter shall be deposited into the convention center
7 enterprise special fund established under section
8 201B-8; provided that beginning January 1, 2002, if
9 the amount of the revenue collected under this
10 paragraph exceeds [~~\$31,000,000~~] \$35,000,000 in any
11 calendar year, revenues collected in excess of
12 [~~\$31,000,000~~] \$35,000,000 shall be deposited into the
13 general fund;

14 (2) 32.6 per cent of the revenues collected under this
15 chapter shall be deposited into the tourism special
16 fund established under section 201B-11 for tourism
17 promotion and visitor industry research; provided that
18 beginning on July 1, 2002:



1 (A) If the amount of revenues deposited into the
2 tourism special fund exceeds \$62,292,000 in any
3 fiscal year, of the first \$1,000,000 in revenues
4 deposited in excess of \$62,292,000:
5 (i) Ninety per cent shall be deposited into the
6 state parks special fund established in
7 section 184-3.4; and
8 (ii) Ten per cent shall be deposited into the
9 special land and development fund
10 established in section 171-19 for the Hawaii
11 statewide trail and access program;
12 provided that the total amount deposited into the
13 state parks special fund and to the special land
14 and development fund for the Hawaii statewide
15 trail and access program shall not exceed
16 \$1,000,000 in any fiscal year;
17 (3) 44.8 per cent of the revenues collected under this
18 chapter shall be transferred as follows: Kauai county
19 shall receive 14.5 per cent, Hawaii county shall
20 receive 18.6 per cent, city and county of Honolulu
21 shall receive 44.1 per cent, and Maui county shall
22 receive 22.8 per cent; and



1 (4) 5.3 per cent of the revenues collected under this
 2 chapter shall be deposited into the transient
 3 accommodations tax trust fund established under
 4 section 237D-5.5.

5 All transient accommodations taxes shall be paid into the
 6 state treasury each month within ten days after collection, and
 7 shall be kept by the state director of finance in special
 8 accounts for distribution as provided in this subsection."

9 SECTION 2. Act 235, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, is
 10 amended by amending section 8 to read as follows:

11 "SECTION 8. Section 237D-6.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 12 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

13 "(b) Revenues collected under this chapter shall be
 14 distributed as follows, with the excess revenues to be deposited
 15 into the general fund:

16 (1) 17.3 per cent of the revenues collected under this
 17 chapter shall be deposited into the convention center
 18 enterprise special fund established under section
 19 201B-8; provided that beginning January 1, 2002, if
 20 the amount of the revenue collected under this
 21 paragraph exceeds [~~\$31,000,000~~] \$35,000,000 in any
 22 calendar year, revenues collected in excess of



1 [~~\$31,000,000~~] \$35,000,000 shall be deposited into the
2 general fund;

3 (2) 34.2 per cent of the revenues collected under this
4 chapter shall be deposited into the tourism special
5 fund established under section 201B-11 for tourism
6 promotion and visitor industry research; provided that
7 beginning on July 1, 2002:

8 (A) Of the first \$1,000,000 in revenues deposited:

9 (i) Ninety per cent shall be deposited into the
10 state parks special fund established in
11 section 184-3.4; and

12 (ii) Ten per cent shall be deposited into the
13 special land and development fund
14 established in section 171-19 for the Hawaii
15 statewide trail and access program;

16 provided that of the 34.2 per cent, 0.5 per cent shall
17 be transferred to a sub-account in the tourism special
18 fund to provide funding for a safety and security
19 budget, in accordance with the Hawaii tourism
20 strategic plan 2005-2015; and

21 (3) 44.8 per cent of the revenues collected under this
22 chapter shall be transferred as follows: Kauai county

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1 shall receive 14.5 per cent, Hawaii county shall
 2 receive 18.6 per cent, city and county of Honolulu
 3 shall receive 44.1 per cent, and Maui county shall
 4 receive 22.8 per cent.

5 All transient accommodations taxes shall be paid into the
 6 state treasury each month within ten days after collection, and
 7 shall be kept by the state director of finance in special
 8 accounts for distribution as provided in this subsection."

9 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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INTRODUCED BY: 

Report Title:

Transient Accommodations Tax

SB NO. 2966

Description:

Increases the \$31,000,000 cap on the 17.3% in transient accommodations tax (TAT) collections that are designated to the Hawaii Convention Center to \$35,000,000.

