## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING FEES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 92-28, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows: "§92-28 State service fees; increase or decrease of. Any 3 law to the contrary notwithstanding, the fees or other nontax 4 revenues assessed or charged by any board, commission, or other 5 governmental agency may be increased or decreased by the body in 6 an amount not to exceed fifty per cent of the statutorily 7 assessed fee or nontax revenue, in order to maintain a 8 reasonable relation between the revenues derived from such fee 9 10 or nontax revenue and the cost or value of services rendered, comparability among fees imposed by the State, or any other 11 purpose which it may deem necessary and reasonable; provided 12 13 that: 14 (1)The authority to increase or decrease fees or nontax revenues shall be subject to the approval of the 15 16 governor and extend only to the following: chapters

36, 92, 94, 142, 144, 145, 147, 150, 171, 188, 189,

231, 269, 271, 321, 338, 373, 412, 414, 414D, 415A,

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1		417E, 419, 421, 421C, 421H, 421I, 425, 425E, 428, 431,
2		436E, 437, 437B, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443B, 444,
3		447, 448, <u>448E</u> , <u>448F</u> , <u>448H</u> , <u>451A</u> , <u>451J</u> , 452, 453,
4		<u>453D, 454,</u> 455, 456, 457, <u>457A, 457B, 457G,</u> 458, 459,
5		460, <u>460J</u> , 461, <u>461J</u> , <u>462A</u> , 463, <u>463E</u> , 464, <u>465</u> , 466,
6		466K, 467, 467E, 468E, 468L, 468M, 469, 471, 482,
7		482E, <u>484</u> , 485, 501, 502, 505, <u>514A</u> , 514B, 514E, 572,
8		574, and 846 (part II);
9	(2)	The authority to increase or decrease fees or nontax
10		revenues under the chapters listed in paragraph (1)
11		that are established by the department of commerce and
12		consumer affairs shall apply to fees or nontax
13		revenues established by statute or rule;
14	(3)	The authority to increase or decrease fees or nontax
15		revenues established by the University of Hawaii under
16		chapter 304A shall be subject to the approval of the
17		board of regents; provided that the board's approval
18		of any increase or decrease in tuition for regular
19		credit courses shall be preceded by an open public
20		meeting held during or prior to the semester preceding
21		the semester to which the tuition applies;

1	(4)	This section shall not apply to judicial fees as may	
2		be set by any chapter cited in this section;	
3	(5)	The authority to increase or decrease fees or nontax	
4		revenues pursuant to this section shall be exempt from	
5		the public notice and public hearing requirements of	
6		chapter 91; and	
7	(6)	Fees for copies of proposed and final rules and public	
8		notices of proposed rulemaking actions under chapter	
9		91 shall not exceed 10 cents a page, as required by	
10		section 91-2.5."	
11	SECTION 2. Section 92-28, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
12	amended to read as follows:		
13	"§92	-28 State service fees; increase or decrease of. Any	
14	law to the contrary notwithstanding, the fees or other nontax		
15	revenues assessed or charged by any board, commission, or other		
16	governmental agency may be increased or decreased by the body is		
17	an amount not to exceed fifty per cent of the statutorily		
18	assessed fee or nontax revenue, to maintain a reasonable		
19	relation between the revenues derived from such fee or nontax		
20	revenue and the cost or value of services rendered,		
21	comparability among fees imposed by the State, or any other		

1 purpose which it may deem necessary and reasonable; provided 2 that: 3 The authority to increase or decrease fees or nontax 4 revenues shall be subject to the approval of the 5 governor and extend only to the following: chapters 36, 92, 94, 142, 144, 145, 147, 150, 171, 188, 189, 6 231, 269, 271, 321, 338, 373, 412, 414, 414D, 415A, 7 417E, 419, 421, 421C, 421H, 421I, 425, 425E, 428, 431, 8 436E, 437, 437B, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443B, 444, 9 447, 448, 448E, 448F, 448H, 451A, 451J, 452, 453, 10 453D, 454, 455, 456, 457, 457A, 457B, 457G, 458, 459, 11 460, 460J, 461, 461J, 462A, 463, 463E, 464, 465, 466, 12 466K, 467, 467E, 468E, 468L, 468M, 469, 471, 482, 13 482E, 484, 485A, 501, 502, 505, 514A, 514B, 514E, 572, 14 574, and 846 (part II); 15 The authority to increase or decrease fees or nontax 16 (2) revenues under the chapters listed in paragraph (1) 17 that are established by the department of commerce and 18 consumer affairs shall apply to fees or nontax 19 20 revenues established by statute or rule; 21 The authority to increase or decrease fees or nontax (3)

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16		section 91-2.5."
17	SECT	ION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
18	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007;
19	provided t	that section 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

## Report Title:

Expedited Licensing Discounts

## Description:

Provides the department of commerce and consumer affairs' professional and vocational licensing division with the flexibility to increase or decrease licensing fees in certain licensing program areas in an expedited manner. (SD1)