
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ECONOMY.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 201-19, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
3 "(b) The department shall submit to the legislature no
4 later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular
5 legislative session, a [~~written performance report on the impact~~
6 ~~of activities of the department and attached agencies that~~
7 ~~demonstrate their efforts to support, promote, and facilitate~~
8 ~~the expansion and long term viability of emerging growth~~
9 ~~industries including those identified in subsection (a) (1).~~]
10 report that provides an update on the criteria used to measure
11 growth of these emerging growth industries. In updating its
12 reports on growth of emerging growth industries each year, the
13 department shall develop updated measurements and analyses in
14 collaboration with the University of Hawaii, county economic
15 development boards, and private, non-profit economic research
16 groups."



1 SECTION 2. Section 226-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "§226-6 Objectives and policies for the economy--in
4 general. (a) Planning for the State's economy in general shall
5 be directed toward achievement of the following objectives:

6 (1) Increased and diversified employment opportunities to
7 achieve full employment, increased income and job
8 choice, and improved living standards for Hawaii's
9 people[-], including stimulating the development and
10 expansion of economic activities capitalizing on
11 defense, dual-use, and science and technology assets,
12 particularly on the neighbor islands where employment
13 opportunities may be limited; and

14 (2) A steadily growing and diversified economic base that
15 is not overly dependent on a few industries, and
16 includes the development and expansion of industries
17 on the neighbor islands.

18 (b) To achieve the general economic objectives, it shall
19 be the policy of this State to:

20 (1) Expand Hawaii's national and international marketing,
21 communication, and organizational ties, to increase
22 the State's capacity to adjust to and capitalize upon



- 1 economic changes and opportunities occurring outside
2 the [~~State-~~] state;
- 3 (2) Promote Hawaii as an attractive market for
4 environmentally and socially sound investment
5 activities that benefit Hawaii's people[~~-~~];
- 6 (3) Seek broader outlets for new or expanded Hawaii
7 business investments[~~-~~];
- 8 (4) Expand existing markets and penetrate new markets for
9 Hawaii's products and services[~~-~~];
- 10 (5) Assure that the basic economic needs of Hawaii's
11 people are maintained in the event of disruptions in
12 overseas transportation[~~-~~];
- 13 (6) Strive to achieve a level of construction activity
14 responsive to, and consistent with, state growth
15 objectives[~~-~~];
- 16 (7) Encourage the formation of cooperatives and other
17 favorable marketing arrangements at the local or
18 regional level to assist Hawaii's small scale
19 producers, manufacturers, and distributors[~~-~~];
- 20 (8) Encourage labor-intensive activities that are
21 economically satisfying and which offer opportunities
22 for upward mobility[~~-~~];



- 1 (9) Foster greater cooperation and coordination between
2 the government and private sectors in developing
3 Hawaii's employment and economic growth
4 opportunities[-];i
- 5 (10) Stimulate the development and expansion of economic
6 activities which will benefit areas with substantial
7 or expected employment problems[-];i
- 8 (11) Maintain acceptable working conditions and standards
9 for Hawaii's workers[-];i
- 10 (12) Provide equal employment opportunities for all
11 segments of Hawaii's population through affirmative
12 action and nondiscrimination measures[-];i
- 13 (13) Encourage businesses that have favorable financial
14 multiplier effects within Hawaii's economy[-];i
15 particularly with respect to emerging industries in
16 science and technology;
- 17 (14) Promote and protect intangible resources in Hawaii,
18 such as scenic beauty and the aloha spirit, which are
19 vital to a healthy economy[-];i
- 20 (15) Increase effective communication between the
21 educational community and the private sector to
22 develop relevant curricula and training programs to



1 meet future employment needs in general, and
2 requirements of new, potential growth industries in
3 particular[-]; and

4 (16) Foster a business climate in Hawaii[—], including
5 attitudes, tax and regulatory policies, and financial
6 and technical assistance programs[—] that is
7 conducive to the expansion of existing enterprises and
8 the creation and attraction of new business and
9 industry."

10 SECTION 3. Section 226-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

12 "(b) To achieve the agriculture objectives, it shall be
13 the policy of this State to:

14 (1) Establish a clear direction for Hawaii's agriculture
15 through stakeholder commitment and advocacy[-]; i

16 (2) Encourage agriculture by making best use of natural
17 resources [-]; i

18 (3) Provide the governor and the legislature with
19 information and options needed for prudent decision
20 making for the development of agriculture[-]; i



- 1 (4) Establish strong relationships between the
2 agricultural and visitor industries for mutual
3 marketing benefits[-] i
- 4 (5) Foster increased public awareness and understanding of
5 the contributions and benefits of agriculture as a
6 major sector of Hawaii's economy[-] i
- 7 (6) Seek the enactment and retention of federal and state
8 legislation that benefits Hawaii's agricultural
9 industries[-] i
- 10 (7) Strengthen diversified agriculture by developing an
11 effective promotion, marketing, and distribution
12 system between Hawaii's producers and consumer markets
13 locally, on the continental United States, and
14 internationally[-] i
- 15 (8) Support research and development activities that
16 [~~provide greater efficiency and~~] strengthen economic
17 productivity in agriculture[-], stimulate greater
18 efficiency, and enhance the development of new
19 products and agricultural by-products;
- 20 (9) Enhance agricultural growth by providing public
21 incentives and encouraging private initiatives[-] i



- 1 (10) Assure the availability of agriculturally suitable
- 2 lands with adequate water to accommodate present and
- 3 future needs[-];
- 4 (11) Increase the attractiveness and opportunities for an
- 5 agricultural education and livelihood[-];
- 6 (12) Expand Hawaii's agricultural base by promoting growth
- 7 and development of flowers, tropical fruits and
- 8 plants, livestock, feed grains, forestry, food crops,
- 9 aquaculture, and other potential enterprises[-];
- 10 (13) Promote economically competitive activities that
- 11 increase Hawaii's agricultural self-sufficiency[-];
- 12 (14) Promote and assist in the establishment of sound
- 13 financial programs for diversified agriculture[-];
- 14 (15) Institute and support programs and activities to
- 15 assist the entry of displaced agricultural workers
- 16 into alternative agricultural or other employment[-];
- 17 and
- 18 (16) Facilitate the transition of agricultural lands in
- 19 economically nonfeasible agricultural production to
- 20 economically viable agricultural uses."

21 SECTION 4. Section 226-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

22 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

1 "(b) To achieve the visitor industry objective, it shall
2 be the policy of this State to:

3 (1) Support and assist in the promotion of Hawaii's
4 visitor attractions and facilities[-];

5 (2) Ensure that visitor industry activities are in keeping
6 with the social, economic, and physical needs and
7 aspirations of Hawaii's people[-];

8 (3) Improve the quality of existing visitor destination
9 areas[-] by using Hawaii's strengths in science and
10 technology, and other means;

11 (4) Encourage cooperation and coordination between the
12 government and private sectors in developing and
13 maintaining well-designed, adequately serviced visitor
14 industry and related developments which are sensitive
15 to neighboring communities and activities[-];

16 (5) Develop the industry in a manner that will continue to
17 provide new job opportunities and steady employment
18 for Hawaii's people[-];

19 (6) Provide opportunities for Hawaii's people to obtain
20 job training and education that will allow for upward
21 mobility within the visitor industry[-];



1 (7) Foster a recognition of the contribution of the
2 visitor industry to Hawaii's economy and the need to
3 perpetuate the aloha spirit[-]; and

4 (8) Foster an understanding by visitors of the aloha
5 spirit and of the unique and sensitive character of
6 Hawaii's cultures and values."

7 SECTION 5. Section 226-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

9 "(b) To achieve the federal expenditures objective, it
10 shall be the policy of this State to:

11 (1) Encourage the sustained flow of federal expenditures
12 in Hawaii that generates long-term government civilian
13 employment;

14 (2) Promote Hawaii's supportive role in national defense,
15 while remaining consistent with Hawaii's social,
16 environmental, and cultural goals[+], by building upon
17 dual-use and defense applications to develop thriving
18 ocean engineering, aerospace research and development,
19 and related dual-use technology sectors in Hawaii's
20 economy;

21 (3) Promote the development of federally supported
22 activities in Hawaii that respect statewide economic



- 1 concerns, are sensitive to community needs, and
2 minimize adverse impacts on Hawaii's environment;
- 3 (4) Increase opportunities for entry and advancement of
4 Hawaii's people into federal government service;
- 5 (5) Promote federal use of local commodities, services,
6 and facilities available in Hawaii;
- 7 (6) Strengthen federal-state-county communication and
8 coordination in all federal activities that affect
9 Hawaii; and
- 10 (7) Pursue the return of federally controlled lands in
11 Hawaii that are not required for either the defense of
12 the nation or for other purposes of national
13 importance, and promote the mutually beneficial
14 exchanges of land between federal agencies, the State,
15 and the counties."

16 SECTION 6. Section 226-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
17 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

18 "(b) To achieve the potential growth activity objective,
19 it shall be the policy of this State to:

- 20 (1) Facilitate investment and employment in economic
21 activities that have the potential [~~for growth such~~
22 ~~as~~] for growth, and to expand and diversify Hawaii's



1 economy, including diversified agriculture,
2 aquaculture, [~~apparel and textile manufacturing, film~~
3 and television production, and energy and marine-
4 related industries.] renewable energy development,
5 creative media, and science and technology-based
6 activities;

7 (2) Expand Hawaii's capacity to attract and service
8 international programs and activities that generate
9 employment for Hawaii's people[-];

10 (3) Enhance and promote Hawaii's role as a center for
11 international relations, trade, finance, services,
12 technology, education, culture, and the arts[-];

13 (4) Accelerate research and development of new energy-
14 related industries based on wind, solar, ocean, and
15 underground resources and solid waste[-];

16 (5) Promote Hawaii's geographic, environmental, social,
17 and technological advantages to attract new economic
18 activities into the [~~State-~~] state;

19 (6) Provide public incentives and encourage private
20 initiative to attract new industries that best support
21 Hawaii's social, economic, physical, and environmental
22 objectives [-];



1 (7) Increase research and the development of ocean-related
2 economic activities such as mining, food production,
3 and scientific research[-];

4 (8) Develop, promote, and support research and educational
5 and training programs that will enhance Hawaii's
6 ability to attract and develop economic activities of
7 benefit to Hawaii[-];

8 (9) Foster a broader public recognition and understanding
9 of the potential benefits of new, growth-oriented
10 industry in Hawaii[-];

11 (10) Encourage the development and implementation of joint
12 federal and state initiatives to attract federal
13 programs and projects that will support Hawaii's
14 social, economic, physical, and environmental
15 objectives[-]; and.

16 (11) Increase research and development of businesses and
17 services in the telecommunications and information
18 industries."

19 SECTION 7. Section 226-10.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

21 "(a) Planning for the State's economy with regard to [~~the~~
22 ~~information industry shall be directed toward the achievement of~~



1 ~~the objective of positioning Hawaii as the leading dealer in~~
2 ~~information businesses and services in the Pacific Rim.]~~
3 telecommunications and information technology shall be directed
4 toward positioning Hawaii as a leader in broadband
5 communications and applications in the Pacific Region."

6 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



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Report Title:

Science and Technology; Hawaii State Plan; Economy Growth

Description:

Amends the Hawaii State Planning Act to include references to science, technology, and related growth industries in Hawaii. Amends the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism's reporting requirement to the Legislature on the growth industries of Hawaii. (SB1195 HD1)

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