
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGH TECHNOLOGY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii's technology
2 and defense-related industries have shown strong growth and
3 potential for expansion. By 2012, these industries on Oahu will
4 have an estimated one hundred seventy-six thousand jobs to fill,
5 with more than fifty-one thousand of these being newly-created
6 positions. To meet the growing demand, the State's workforce
7 needs to be trained to meet the demand for highly-skilled,
8 highly-specialized labor in areas such as high technology,
9 defense-aerospace, business, and finance. The State's ability
10 to meet this demand will help to shape the future quality of
11 life for many of Hawaii's residents.

12 The legislature further finds that the development of an
13 employment anchor facility, such as a high technology park, will
14 be crucial for preparing Hawaii's current and future workforce
15 to adequately deal with the challenges of working in high
16 technology industries. Demand for an employment anchor facility
17 from local technology businesses and major out-of-state defense
18 and aerospace contractors who wish to establish businesses on



1 Oahu is already significant and growing. The development of an
2 employment anchor facility in the form of a high technology park
3 is an important first step in creating and sustaining a vibrant
4 high technology industry in the State.

5 The purpose of this Act is to support Hawaii's high
6 technology industry by:

7 (1) Requiring the department of business, economic
8 development, and tourism to consult with the high
9 technology development corporation to plan for the
10 establishment of a high technology park on the island
11 of Oahu, and work with the department of land and
12 natural resources to identify public or private lands
13 that may be acquired for the park; and

14 (2) Appropriating funds for infrastructure to build the
15 park.

16 SECTION 2. (a) The department of business, economic
17 development, and tourism shall work with the department of land
18 and natural resources to identify appropriate lands, either
19 public or private, on Oahu that may be acquired for the high
20 technology park.

21 (b) The department of business, economic development, and
22 tourism shall consult with the high technology development



1 corporation to plan for the establishment of a high technology
 2 park on Oahu; provided that the plans shall include provisions
 3 for the high technology development corporation to manage and
 4 oversee the park's operations in cooperation with other
 5 government agencies and private entities.

6 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
 7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
 8 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and the
 9 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
 10 2010-2011 for land acquisition, planning, design, equipment, and
 11 construction costs related to the infrastructure for a high
 12 technology park on Oahu.

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

16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon approval;
 17 provided that section 3 shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

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Report Title:

High Technology Park

Description:

Requires the department of business, economic development, and tourism to work with the department of land and natural resources to identify appropriate lands for a high technology park on Oahu and to consult with the high technology development corporation to plan for the establishment of the high technology park. Makes appropriation.

