
A BILL FOR AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION TO EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES TO FOSTER
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.

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

1 SECTION 1. There is established, within the department of
2 business, economic development, and tourism for administrative
3 purposes only, a permanent commission to be known as the
4 commission, which shall explore opportunities
5 to develop and foster international relationships, both official
6 and personal, and showcase Hawaii's unique culture when Hawaii
7 serves as the venue for major events, beginning with the
8 upcoming Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit taking place
9 in Honolulu in November 2011.

10 SECTION 2. The commission shall consist of nine members to
11 be appointed as follows:

- 12 (1) One member shall be appointed by the governor;
13 (2) Two members shall be appointed by the senate
14 president;
15 (3) Two members shall be appointed by the speaker of the
16 house of representatives;



1 (4) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the
2 county of Hawaii;

3 (5) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city
4 and county of Honolulu;

5 (6) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the
6 county of Kauai; and

7 (7) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the
8 county of Maui.

9 The governor shall designate the chair of the commission from
10 among the appointed members. Notwithstanding any law to the
11 contrary, an individual appointed to another board or commission
12 shall be eligible to be appointed as a member of this
13 commission.

14 The members shall not receive compensation for their
15 services but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses,
16 including travel expenses, incurred in the performance of their
17 duties under this Act.

18 Any member of the commission shall be immune from civil
19 liability as provided for under section 26-35.5, Hawaii Revised
20 Statutes.

21 SECTION 3. The commission shall:



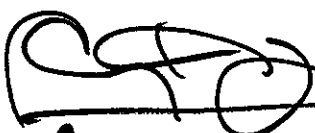

- 1 (1) Develop, plan, and coordinate opportunities for the
- 2 State, the counties, the business community, and other
- 3 interested groups or individuals to develop and foster
- 4 international relationships, particularly when large
- 5 international events are held in the State, beginning
- 6 with the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit
- 7 taking place in Honolulu in November 2011; and
- 8 (2) Explore opportunities to showcase Hawaii's arts,
- 9 historic properties, and other items and places of
- 10 cultural significance to the international community.




11 In fulfilling its responsibilities, the commission shall
 12 consult, cooperate with, and seek advice from any and all
 13 appropriate agencies, including the Hawaii tourism authority and
 14 the department of business, economic development, and tourism.

15 SECTION 4. The commission shall submit a report of its
 16 activities, findings, and recommendations to the legislature no
 17 later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular
 18 legislative session.

19 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Permanent Commission; Fostering International Relationships

Description:

Creates a permanent commission to explore opportunities for fostering international relationships, particularly when large international events are held in the State.

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