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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION SITES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Act 121, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010, created a
2 construction site inspection task force to analyze the
3 feasibility and potential complications of implementing a task
4 force to investigate and inspect construction sites for
5 unlicensed contractors, undocumented workers, and workplace
6 safety violations, and to submit a report of its findings to the
7 2011 legislature. The task force submitted its report to the
8 legislature in November 2010, including a number of
9 recommendations for further action.

10 In addition, in 2010, the senate committee on economic
11 development and technology and the house committee on economic
12 revitalization, business, and military affairs convened an
13 informal small business discussion group to address the most
14 critical issues facing the small business sectors within
15 Hawaii's economy. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce
16 of Hawaii, construction and trades industries, community
17 nonprofits, the agricultural sector, food and restaurant
18 industries, retailing, the science and technology sector, the



1 commercial transportation industry, and interested stakeholders
2 developed a package of bills that address the most pressing
3 problems facing Hawaii's small business community.

4 The purpose of this Act is to support the findings of the
5 small business working group by continuing the work of the
6 construction site task force for one year and appropriating
7 funds for the task force to complete any further recommended
8 actions.

9 SECTION 2. Act 121, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010, is
10 amended by amending section 3 to read as follows:

11 "SECTION 3. The construction site inspection task force
12 shall submit [a] an initial report to the legislature no later
13 than sixty days before the commencement of the 2011 regular
14 session on its findings and recommendations on implementing a
15 task force to investigate and inspect construction sites for
16 unlicensed contractors, undocumented workers, and workplace
17 safety violations. The report shall include but not be limited
18 to:

19 (1) The scope of potential cases of violations and
20 noncompliance with tax laws that could be identified,
21 audited, investigated, prosecuted through civil
22 action, or referred for criminal prosecution;



- 1 (2) Actions and authority needed by the task force to
- 2 undertake and publicize its activities;
- 3 (3) Recommendations for any legislation needed to
- 4 accomplish the goals and to implement the
- 5 recommendations of the construction site inspection
- 6 task force; and
- 7 (4) Identification of funding streams and estimated
- 8 expenditures needed in order to fully implement the
- 9 recommendations of the construction site inspection
- 10 task force.

11 The task force shall submit a final report to the
12 legislature no later than sixty days before the commencement of
13 the 2012 regular session, including any specific legislation or
14 other actions required to implement the recommendations in the
15 initial report."

16 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
18 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-2012 for
19 the continued work of the construction site task force.

20 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
21 commerce and consumer affairs for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.
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Report Title:

Construction Site Task Force; Appropriation

Description:

Continues the work of the construction site task force for one year; requires final report; appropriates funds for the task force to complete any further recommended actions.

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