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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR.

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

1           SECTION 1. (a) The department of labor and industrial  
2 relations shall establish and operate a training program to  
3 augment and expand the reach of the workforce investment  
4 activities currently administered by the department pursuant to  
5 the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Public Law 105-  
6 220. The training program shall use state funds to develop and  
7 administer workforce investment activities to address the  
8 training needs of:

- 9           (1) Unemployed and underemployed workers;  
10           (2) Veterans;  
11           (3) Persons with disabilities;  
12           (4) Non-native English speakers;  
13           (5) Homeless persons; and  
14           (6) Persons recently released from incarceration.

15 Program funds shall be allocated to county workforce investment  
16 boards in proportion to the allocation of federal funds under  
17 the federal Workforce Investment Act to each respective county.



1 (b) The director of labor and industrial relations shall  
2 adopt rules in accordance with chapter 91 to effectuate the  
3 purposes of this section.

4 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$7,000,000 or so much  
6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 for the  
7 establishment of a training program to expand the workforce  
8 investment activities administered by the department of labor  
9 and industrial relations under the federal Workforce Investment  
10 Act of 1998.

11 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
12 labor and industrial relations for the purposes of this Act.

13 SECTION 3. If any part of this Act is found to be in  
14 conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed  
15 condition for the allocation of federal funds to the State, the  
16 conflicting part of this Act is inoperative solely to the extent  
17 of the conflict and with respect to the agencies directly  
18 affected, and this finding does not affect the operation of the  
19 remainder of this Act in its application to the agencies  
20 concerned. The rules under this Act shall meet federal  
21 requirements that are a necessary condition to the receipt of  
22 federal funds by the State.



**1** SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.



**Report Title:**

Workforce Investment Act; DLIR; State-Funded Training Program;  
Appropriation

**Description:**

Directs the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to establish a state-funded training program to expand the workforce investment activities administered by the DLIR under the federal Workforce Investment Act. Makes an appropriation. Provides for the adoption of rules. Effective July 1, 2012.  
(HB2655 HD1)

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