

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

June 29, 2016

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 29, 2016, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2673 SD2 HD2 CD1

RELATING TO TRAVEL AGENCIES **ACT 148 (16)**

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAVEL AGENCIES.

	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:
1	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that a travel agency is
2	required by law to register prior to selling or advertising
3	travel services, and an activity desk is required to register
4	prior to selling, contracting for, arranging, or advertising
5	activities that are furnished by an activity provider. The
6	legislature further finds that travel agencies may sometimes act
7	as activity desks when the travel agencies sell or arrange
8	activities furnished by an activity provider for travelers
9	either as individual activities or as part of a tour package.
10	The purpose of this Act is to clarify existing law and
11	provide better protection to consumers who purchase activities
12	from travel agencies by requiring travel agencies that act as

- 11 12 13 activity desks to register as activity desks.
- 14 SECTION 2. Section 468L-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 15 amended to read as follows:
- 16 "§468L-2 Registration and renewal. (a) A travel agency
- shall register with the director prior to engaging in the 17
- 18 business of selling or advertising to sell travel services.



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•	(d)	Each	travel	agency	shall	renew	its	registration	on	or
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- 2 before December 31 of each odd-numbered year. A statement on a
- 3 form designed and provided by the department verifying that the
- 4 practices of the travel agency are in accordance with section
- 5 468L-5, shall be filed with the renewal.
- 6 (c) A travel agency that sells activities individually or
- 7 as part of a tour package shall register with the director as an
- 8 activity desk under section 468M-2."
- 9 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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APPROVED this 2 9 day of JUN , 2016

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII