
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,
AND TOURISM.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 201-72, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "§201-72 Office of aerospace development; establishment.
- 4 (a) There is established an office of aerospace development in
5 the department of business, economic development, and tourism.
- 6 (b) The director shall have experience, knowledge, and
7 expertise in space-related activities and development. The
8 director shall be nominated and appointed by the governor
9 without regard to chapter 76.
- 10 (c) The director shall hire staff necessary to carry out
11 the purposes of this part.
- 12 (d) The director and employees of the office shall be
13 included in any benefit program generally applicable to the
14 officers and employees of the State.
- 15 (e) Subject to funding, the office of aerospace
16 development may hire a business development officer with an



1 annual salary of up to \$80,000, a program manager with an annual
2 salary of up to \$70,000, and administrative support with an
3 annual salary of up to \$48,000; provided that these positions
4 shall be civil service positions."

5 SECTION 2. Section 201-76, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 "[+]§201-76[+] Pacific international space center for
8 exploration systems. (a) There is established the Pacific
9 international space center for exploration systems[-] division,
10 to be under the direction of the office of aerospace
11 development, and to be administratively attached to the office
12 of aerospace development in the department of business, economic
13 development, and tourism. This division of the office of
14 aerospace development shall be located on the island of Hawaii.

15 [~~(b) The space center may employ, subject to chapter 76,~~
16 ~~technical experts and officers, agents, and employees, permanent~~
17 ~~and temporary, as required. The space center may also employ~~
18 ~~officers, agents, and employees, prescribe their duties and~~
19 ~~qualifications, and fix their salaries, without regard to~~
20 ~~chapter 76, when in the determination of the board, the services~~



1 ~~to be performed by those employed are unique and essential to~~
2 ~~the execution of the functions of the space center.]~~

3 (b) Pacific international space center for exploration
4 systems employees shall promote and market Hawaii as an
5 aerospace and aviation destination for research and development,
6 shall actively solicit aerospace and aviation businesses to
7 establish facilities or work offices in Hawaii, shall work with
8 government agencies on aerospace and aviation related projects,
9 and shall encourage direct and indirect job creation related to
10 aerospace, aviation, technology, and robotics.

11 (c) Subject to funding, the Pacific international space
12 center for exploration systems may hire an administrator with an
13 annual salary up to \$82,000, a business development officer with
14 an annual salary up to \$70,000, a program specialist with an
15 annual salary up to \$60,000, and administrative support with an
16 annual salary up to \$48,000. The administrator shall be
17 appointed by the governor; the other positions shall be civil
18 service positions."

19 SECTION 3. Section 201-77, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20 amended to read as follows:



1 " ~~[+]§201-77 [+]]~~ Pacific international space center for
 2 exploration systems; advisory board of directors; establishment;
 3 duties. (a) There is established the advisory board of
 4 directors of the Pacific international space center for
 5 exploration systems, consisting of ~~[ten]~~ seven members, to
 6 include:

7 ~~[-(1)-]~~ The executive director of the space center as an ex
 8 officio[,] ~~voting member,~~

9 ~~[-(2)-]~~ The director of business, economic development, and
 10 tourism, or the director's designated representative,

11 ~~[-(3)-]~~ The president of the University of Hawaii, or the
 12 president's designated representative,

13 ~~[-(4)-]~~ (1) Six members from government, industry, and
 14 academia, both national and international, with
 15 appropriate professional interests and backgrounds;
 16 and

17 ~~[-(5)-]~~ (2) An invited representative from the National
 18 Aeronautics and Space Administration as an ex
 19 officio~~[+]~~, ~~[+]~~ nonvoting member,

20 to be appointed by the governor, pursuant to section 26-34;
 21 provided that of the members appointed under paragraph ~~[-(4)-]~~



1 (1), two members shall be appointed from a list of nominees
2 submitted by the president of the senate, two members shall be
3 appointed from a list of nominees submitted by the speaker of
4 the house of representatives, and two members shall be appointed
5 by the governor.

6 The board shall select a chairperson from among its
7 members.

8 (b) [~~Five~~] Four members shall constitute a quorum, whose
9 affirmative vote shall be necessary for all actions by the space
10 center. The members of the board shall serve without
11 compensation, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for
12 necessary expenses, including travel expenses, incurred in the
13 performance of their duties.

14 [~~(c) The director of business, economic development, and~~
15 ~~tourism shall appoint an executive director to the space center,~~
16 ~~subject to confirmation by the board, who shall be exempt from~~
17 ~~chapter 76. The board shall set the salary and duties of the~~
18 ~~executive director.] "~~

19 SECTION 4. Section 201-78, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
20 amended to read as follows:

21 " [~~{~~] §201-78 [~~}~~] General powers. [~~(a) The board may.~~



- 1 ~~(1) Sue and be sued,~~
- 2 ~~(2) Adopt a seal and alter the seal at pleasure,~~
- 3 ~~(3), Make and execute contracts and other instruments~~
- 4 ~~necessary or convenient to the exercise of its powers,~~
- 5 and
- 6 ~~(4) Adopt bylaws and rules, which shall be exempt from~~
- 7 ~~chapter 91, for its organization and internal~~
- 8 ~~management, and to carry into effect its purposes,~~
- 9 ~~powers, and programs.]~~

10 (a) The Pacific international space center for exploration
 11 systems advisory board of directors may meet quarterly and
 12 receive reports and updates from the staff of the Pacific
 13 international space center for exploration systems and shall
 14 make suggestions and recommendations to the Pacific
 15 international space center for exploration systems and the
 16 office of aerospace development.

17 (b) In addition to other powers conferred upon it, the
 18 board may do all things necessary and convenient to carry out
 19 the powers expressly provided in this subpart."

20 SECTION 5. Section 201-79, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 21 amended to read as follows:



1 "~~[+]§201-79[+]~~ Powers and duties of the Pacific
2 international space center for exploration systems [~~executive~~
3 ~~director-~~] staff. In addition to any other powers and duties
4 provided in this subpart, the [~~executive director~~] staff shall[+]
5 ~~(1) Oversee, supervise, and direct the planning,~~
6 ~~evaluation, and coordination of space related~~
7 ~~activities, and promote opportunities for expanding~~
8 ~~and diversifying aerospace related industries in the~~
9 ~~State pertaining to the space center;~~
10 ~~(2) Establish partnerships with corporate, government, and~~
11 ~~University of Hawaii entities that can promote and~~
12 ~~enhance the State's aerospace industry; and where~~
13 ~~possible, help to generate additional revenue for the~~
14 ~~University of Hawaii and create classes and other~~
15 ~~educational opportunities for students;~~
16 ~~(3) Work with local universities and community colleges to~~
17 ~~facilitate internships for students with the space~~
18 ~~center and associated companies;~~
19 ~~(4) Continue to work with the University of Hawaii on~~
20 ~~course development, teaching, workforce development,~~
21 ~~and outreach;~~



- 1 ~~(5) Promote innovative educational and workforce~~
2 ~~development programs that will enhance public~~
3 ~~awareness of the space center and enable residents to~~
4 ~~pursue employment in Hawaii's aerospace industry;~~
- 5 ~~(6) Act as the public representative of the space center;~~
- 6 ~~(7) Monitor national and global trends in the aerospace~~
7 ~~industry and promote global awareness of the space~~
8 ~~center;~~
- 9 ~~(8) Pursue projects in the aerospace sector that can be~~
10 ~~leveraged for improvements to the State's broadband~~
11 ~~and alternative energy capabilities;~~
- 12 ~~(9) Serve as a clearinghouse for information on the space~~
13 ~~center and associated activities;~~
- 14 ~~(10) Target existing businesses that can provide products~~
15 ~~or services of importance to the space center and its~~
16 ~~projects to support the expansion of these businesses~~
17 ~~in Hawaii;~~
- 18 ~~(11) Increase contact and maintain liaison with the~~
19 ~~National Aeronautics and Space Administration, related~~
20 ~~aerospace organizations, and other federal agencies~~
21 ~~and facilities;~~



- 1 ~~(12) Maintain and expand liaisons with local business and~~
- 2 ~~citizen groups;~~
- 3 ~~(13) Work with private landowners in the vicinity to expand~~
- 4 ~~opportunities and physical space and appurtenances for~~
- 5 ~~the participants in the space center's aerospace~~
- 6 ~~technology research and development park;~~
- 7 ~~(14) Adopt, amend, and repeal rules pursuant to chapter 91~~
- 8 ~~necessary to carry out this subpart;~~
- 9 ~~(15) Contract for services as may be necessary for the~~
- 10 ~~purposes of this subpart; and~~
- 11 ~~(16) Do all other things necessary or proper to carry out~~
- 12 ~~the purposes of this subpart.] identify and promote~~
- 13 ~~opportunities for expanding and diversifying~~
- 14 ~~aerospace-related industries on the island of Hawaii~~
- 15 ~~and in the State."~~

16 SECTION 6. Section 201-80, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 17 amended to read as follows:

18 "[-]§201-80[+] Pacific international space center for
 19 exploration systems; reporting requirement. The Pacific
 20 international space center for exploration systems shall submit,



1 no later than September 1 of each year, an annual report to the
2 legislature that [~~includes:~~

- 3 ~~(1) An updated business plan regarding the aerospace~~
4 ~~technology research and development park project;~~
- 5 ~~(2) Details on any progress made toward the development of~~
6 ~~a world class space center in Hawaii;~~
- 7 ~~(3) The development of technologies and any concomitant~~
8 ~~effect on the level of resource imports into the~~
9 ~~State;~~
- 10 ~~(4) The status of all working relationships with~~
11 ~~educational and research institutions and federal~~
12 ~~agencies;~~
- 13 ~~(5) Details on any progress made toward the development of~~
14 ~~a robotic operator training and certification program;~~
- 15 ~~(6) The level of private sector investment in aerospace~~
16 ~~and related industries, including the number and~~
17 ~~nature of any partnerships with private industry to~~
18 ~~facilitate state based manufacturing and operations~~
19 ~~related to green energy technology;~~
- 20 ~~(7) The status of the memorandum of understanding with~~
21 ~~Hawaii Techworks and the east Hawaii community~~



1 ~~development corporation regarding the cultivation of a~~
2 ~~skilled local workforce to support planned~~
3 ~~manufacturing operations; and~~
4 ~~(8) A detailed statement of assets, liabilities, revenues,~~
5 ~~and expenses for each fiscal year ending June 30.]~~
6 shall summarize the significant accomplishments and activities
7 of the space center for the past fiscal year and the status of
8 the development of partnerships."

9 SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of the general
10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the
12 purposes of this Act, including the hiring of personnel for the
13 office of aerospace development and the Pacific international
14 space center for exploration systems.

15 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
16 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
17 this Act.

18 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

20 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018;
21 provided that section 7 shall take effect on July 1, 2016.



Report Title:

Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems
Division; PISCES; Office of Aerospace Development; Appropriation

Description:

Allows the Office of Aerospace Development to hire various positions. Establishes PISCES as a division of the Office of Aerospace Development located on Hawaii Island. Directs PISCES staff to promote and market Hawaii as a research destination. Allows PISCES to hire various positions. Reduces the Board of Directors of PISCES to seven members and amends their powers and duties. Simplifies PISCES' annual report to include a summary of significant accomplishments and activities, and the status of development of partnerships. Appropriates funds. (HB2597 HD1)

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