

JAN 29 2015

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE BOATING SPECIAL FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the boating special
2 fund is the sole funding source of the department of land and
3 natural resources, division of boating and ocean resources'
4 capital improvement projects, repair and maintenance of public
5 lands, small boat harbors, and boating and ocean recreational
6 facilities, and education programs. The legislature further
7 finds that the division of boating and ocean resources would be
8 able to generate additional revenue for the boating special fund
9 if the division had the capacity to plan, development, and
10 manage currently underutilized public lands and improvements
11 under its jurisdiction. This expanded capacity will only be
12 possible if the division is able to hire additional full- and
13 part-time staff.

14 SECTION 2. Section 200-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 amended to read as follows:



1 "§200-8 Boating program; payment of costs. The cost of
2 administering a comprehensive statewide boating program,
3 including but not limited to the cost of:

- 4 (1) Operating, maintaining, and managing all boating
5 facilities under the control of the department;
6 (2) Improving boating safety;
7 (3) Operating a vessel registration and boating casualty
8 investigation and reporting system; [and]
9 (4) Other boating program activities, and
10 (5) The planning, development, management, operations, or
11 maintenance of lands and improvements under the
12 control and management of the board, including the
13 hiring of permanent or temporary staff who may be
14 appointed without regard to chapter 76,

15 shall be paid from the boating special fund; provided that any
16 fees collected within small boat harbors shall be expended only
17 for costs related to the operation, upkeep, maintenance, and
18 improvement of the small boat harbors. The amortization
19 (principal and interest) of the costs of capital improvements
20 for boating facilities appropriated after July 1, 1975,
21 including but not limited to berths, slips, ramps, related



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1 accommodations, general navigation channels, breakwaters, aids
2 to navigation, and other harbor structures, may be paid from the
3 boating special fund or from general revenues as the legislature
4 may authorize in each situation. Revenues provided in this
5 chapter for the boating special fund shall be at least
6 sufficient to pay the special fund costs established in this
7 section."

8 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

DLNR; DOBOR; Boating Special Fund; Hiring of Exempt Positions

Description:

Authorizes the boating special fund to be used to pay for the hiring of full- or part-time positions for the planning, development, management, operations, or maintenance of lands and improvements under the control and management of the board.

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