A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

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

SECTION 1. Section 237D-6.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3 "(b) Revenues collected under this chapter shall be
4 distributed in the following priority, with the excess revenues
5 to be deposited into the general fund:

6 (1)\$1,500,000 shall be allocated to the Turtle Bay 7 conservation easement special fund beginning July 1, 8 2015, for the reimbursement to the state general fund 9 of debt service on reimbursable general obligation 10 bonds, including ongoing expenses related to the 11 issuance of the bonds, the proceeds of which were used 12 to acquire the conservation easement and other real 13 property interests in Turtle Bay, Oahu, for the 14 protection, preservation, and enhancement of natural resources important to the State, until the bonds are 15 16 fully amortized;



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1	(2)	\$26,500,000 shall be allocated to the convention
2		center enterprise special fund established under
3		section 201B-8;
4	(3)	\$82,000,000 shall be allocated to the tourism special
5		fund established under section 201B-11; provided that:
6		(A) Beginning on July 1, 2012, and ending on June 30,
7		2015, \$2,000,000 shall be expended from the
8		tourism special fund for development and
9		implementation of initiatives to take advantage
10		of expanded visa programs and increased travel
11		opportunities for international visitors to
12		Hawaii;
13		(B) Of the \$82,000,000 allocated:
14		(i) \$1,000,000 shall be allocated for the
15		operation of a Hawaiian center and the
16		museum of Hawaiian music and dance at the
17		Hawaii convention center; and
18		(ii) 0.5 per cent of the \$82,000,000 shall be
19		transferred to a sub-account in the tourism
20		special fund to provide funding for a safety



1 and security budget, in accordance with the 2 Hawaii tourism strategic plan 2005-2015; and 3 (C) Of the revenues remaining in the tourism special fund after revenues have been deposited as 4 5 provided in this paragraph and except for any sum authorized by the legislature for expenditure 6 from revenues subject to this paragraph, 7 beginning July 1, 2007, funds shall be deposited 8 9 into the tourism emergency special fund, 10 established in section 201B-10, in a manner 11 sufficient to maintain a fund balance of \$5,000,000 in the tourism emergency special fund; 12 13 (4)\$103,000,000 for fiscal year 2014-2015, \$103,000,000 14 for fiscal year 2015-2016, \$103,000,000 for fiscal year 2016-2017, and \$93,000,000 for each fiscal year 15 thereafter shall be allocated as follows: Kauai 16 17 county shall receive 14.5 per cent, Hawaii county shall receive 18.6 per cent, [city and county of 18 19 Honolulu shall receive 44.1 per cent,] and Maui county 20 shall receive 22.8 per cent; provided that commencing with fiscal year 2018-2019, a sum that represents the 21



1 difference between a county public employer's annual 2 required contribution for the separate trust fund 3 established under section 87A-42 and the amount of the 4 county public employer's contributions into that trust 5 fund shall be retained by the state director of 6 finance and deposited to the credit of the county 7 public employer's annual required contribution into 8 that trust fund in each fiscal year, as provided in 9 section 87A-42, if the respective county fails to 10 remit the total amount of the county's required annual 11 contributions, as required under section 87A-43; and 12 (5) \$3,000,000 shall be allocated to the special land and 13 development fund established under section 171-19; 14 provided that the allocation shall be expended in 15 accordance with the Hawaii tourism authority strategic 16 plan for: 17 (A) The protection, preservation, maintenance, and

18 enhancement of natural resources, including
19 beaches, important to the visitor industry;
20 (B) Planning, construction, and repair of facilities;
21 and



1	(C) Operation and maintenance costs of public lands,
2	including beaches, connected with enhancing the
3	visitor experience.
4	All transient accommodations taxes shall be paid into the
5	state treasury each month within ten days after collection and
6	shall be kept by the state director of finance in special
7	accounts for distribution as provided in this subsection.
8	As used in this subsection, "fiscal year" means the twelve-
9	month period beginning on July 1 of a calendar year and ending
10	on June 30 of the following calendar year."
11	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
12	and stricken.
13	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.
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	INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Local Government; Transient Accommodations Tax; Remittances

Description:

Amends the distribution of revenues collected by the transient accommodations tax.

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