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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TOURISM.

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

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any agreement between the 2 Hawaii tourism authority and the State of the indebtedness of 3 the Hawaii tourism authority in connection with any general 4 obligation bonds issued pursuant to Act 7, Special Session Laws 5 of Hawaii 1993, that is outstanding as of the effective date of 6 this Act, an amount of \$192,450,289 or so much thereof as may be 7 owed is hereby canceled. To the extent of the amount canceled, the Hawaii tourism authority is relieved of all liability to the 8 9 State under any agreement, including for any interest due under 10 any agreement and any other fees and charges payable in 11 connection with any agreement, and the total amount of the 12 agreement owed to the State pursuant to any law or agreement 13 shall be considered to be reduced by that amount. The amount of 14 the indebtedness canceled under this section may be treated as a 15 public debt of the State.

16 SECTION 2. Section 201B-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 17 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

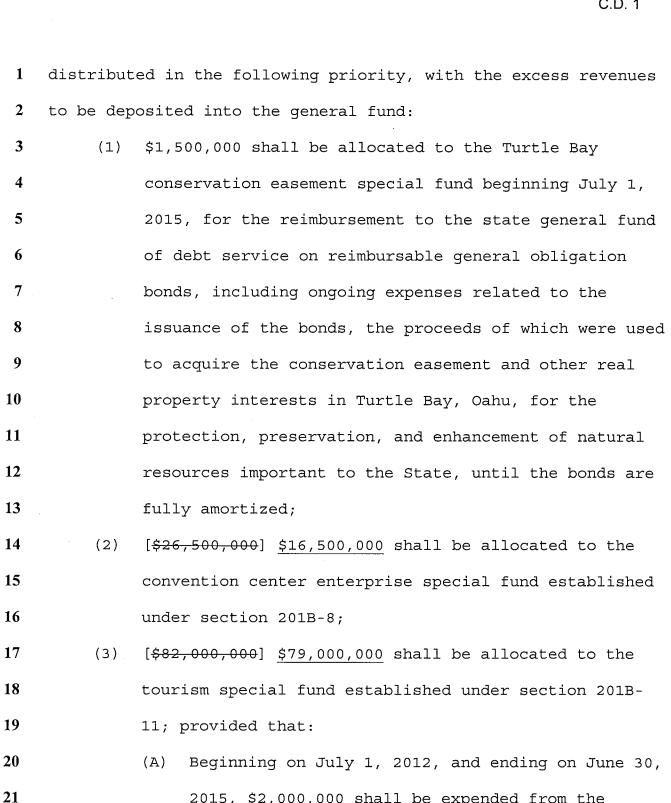


1 Moneys in the convention center enterprise special "(b) 2 fund shall be used by the authority for the payment of [any and 3 all of the following: 4 (1) Debt owed to the department of budget and finance 5 relating to the convention center; and (2) Expenses] expenses arising from any and all use, 6 7 operation, maintenance, alteration, improvement, or any unforeseen or unplanned repairs of the convention 8 9 center, including without limitation the food and 10 beverage service and parking service provided at the 11 convention center facility, the sale of souvenirs, 12 logo items, or other items, for any future major 13 repair, maintenance, and improvement of the convention 14 center facility as a commercial enterprise or as a world class facility for conventions, entertainment, 15 16 or public events, and for marketing the facility 17 pursuant to section 201B-7(a)(7)." 18 SECTION 3. Section 237D-6.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 19

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20 "(b) Except for the revenues collected pursuant to section
21 237D-2(e), revenues collected under this chapter shall be





2015, \$2,000,000 shall be expended from the



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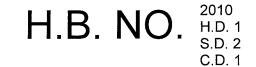
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1	to	irism special fund for development and
2	imj	plementation of initiatives to take advantage
3	of	expanded visa programs and increased travel
4	opj	portunities for international visitors to
5	Hav	vaii;
6	(B) Of	the [\$82,000,000] <u>\$79,000,000</u> allocated:
7	(i)	\$1,000,000 shall be allocated for the
8		operation of a Hawaiian center and the
9		museum of Hawaiian music and dance at the
10		Hawaii convention center; and
11	(ii)	0.5 per cent of the [\$82,000,000]
12		\$79,000,000 shall be transferred to a sub-
13		account in the tourism special fund to
14		provide funding for a safety and security
15		budget, in accordance with the Hawaii
16		tourism strategic plan 2005-2015; and
17	(C) Of	the revenues remaining in the tourism special
18	fur	d after revenues have been deposited as
19	pro	wided in this paragraph and except for any sum
20	aut	horized by the legislature for expenditure
21	fro	m revenues subject to this paragraph,



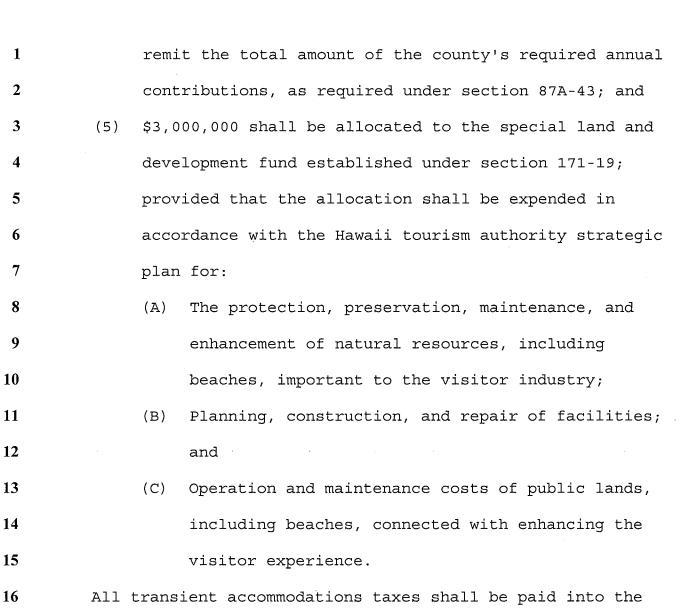
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1 beginning July 1, 2007, funds shall be deposited into the tourism emergency special fund, 2 3 established in section 201B-10, in a manner sufficient to maintain a fund balance of 4 \$5,000,000 in the tourism emergency special fund; 5 \$103,000,000 shall be allocated as follows: Kauai 6 (4)7 county shall receive 14.5 per cent, Hawaii county shall receive 18.6 per cent, city and county of 8 Honolulu shall receive 44.1 per cent, and Maui county 9 10 shall receive 22.8 per cent; provided that commencing 11 with fiscal year 2018-2019, a sum that represents the 12 difference between a county public employer's annual 13 required contribution for the separate trust fund established under section 87A-42 and the amount of the 14 15 county public employer's contributions into that trust 16 fund shall be retained by the state director of 17 finance and deposited to the credit of the county 18 public employer's annual required contribution into 19 that trust fund in each fiscal year, as provided in section 87A-42, if the respective county fails to 20



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17 state treasury each month within ten days after collection and 18 shall be kept by the state director of finance in special 19 accounts for distribution as provided in this subsection.

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1 As used in this subsection, "fiscal year" means the twelve-2 month period beginning on July 1 of a calendar year and ending 3 on June 30 of the following calendar year." 4 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general 5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,000,000 or so much 6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the 7 Hawaii tourism authority to implement initiatives, in conjunction with the Hawaii lodging and tourism association, to 8 9 address homelessness in tourist and resort areas; provided that 10 no funds shall be released unless matched dollar-for-dollar by 11 the private sector. 12 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of 13 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of 14 this Act. 15 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 16 17 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.



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Report Title:

HTA; Debt Cancellation; Transient Accommodations Tax; Convention Center Enterprise Special Fund; Tourism Special Fund; Appropriation

Description:

Cancels the debt owed to the State by the Hawaii Tourism Authority for convention center construction costs and related interest. Amends the allocations of transient accommodations tax revenues to the convention center enterprise special fund and tourism special fund. Appropriates moneys for the Hawaii Tourism Authority to implement initiatives, in conjunction with the Hawaii Lodging and Tourism Association, to address homelessness in tourist and resort areas; provided that the funds are matched dollar-for-dollar by the private sector. (CD1)

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