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# 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. The legislature finds that the State of Hawaii  
2 has formal sister state relations with eighteen foreign states.  
3 Significant anniversaries are planned to be recognized and  
4 celebrated in 2020 with Okinawa, Japan and Ilocos Norte,  
5 Philippines; and in 2021 with Fukuoka, Japan; Jeju, Korea; and  
6 Ilocos Sur, Cebu, and Isabella, Philippines.

7           The legislature further finds that additional funding for  
8 the department of business, economic development, and tourism  
9 international sister state relations program is needed to  
10 support the business and trade missions; conferences,  
11 symposiums, and seminars; and educational and cultural exchanges  
12 to be conducted in conjunction with the respective sister state  
13 anniversary recognition celebrations.

14           The purpose of this Act is to:



1 (1) Appropriate funds to support the international sister  
2 state relations program of the department of business,  
3 economic development, and tourism; and

4 (2) Require a report to the legislature on the types of  
5 economic activity generated from activities funded by  
6 the sum appropriated.

7 SECTION 2. The department of business, economic  
8 development, and tourism shall submit a report to the  
9 legislature, no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
10 the regular session of 2021, on the type of economic activity  
11 that is generated from festivals; business and trade missions;  
12 conferences, symposiums, and seminars; educational and cultural  
13 exchanges; and other activities funded by the appropriation  
14 pursuant to section 3 of this Act.

15 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
17 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for  
18 strategic marketing and support (BED100) for the support of  
19 international sister state relations.



1           The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
2 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of  
3 this Act.

4           SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.



**Report Title:**

Budget; Department of Business, Economic Development, and  
Tourism; International Affairs; Operating Expenses; Report;  
Appropriation

**Description:**

Makes an appropriation for the support of international sister  
state relations. Requires a report to the legislature. Takes  
effect on 7/1/2112. (HD1)

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