

'JAN 17 2024'

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE COUNTIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the International
2 Accreditation Service provides objective evidence that an
3 organization operates at the highest level of ethical, legal,
4 and technical standards. The International Accreditation
5 Service accredits a wide range of companies and organizations,
6 including governmental entities, commercial businesses, and
7 professional associations.

8 The International Accreditation Service accreditation
9 programs are based on recognized national and international
10 standards, such as building and structural standards, that
11 ensure domestic and global acceptance of its accreditations. As
12 a result, International Accreditation Service-accredited
13 companies and organizations can improve their processes using
14 input gained from onsite assessment and by learning about best
15 practices from International Accreditation Service assessors and
16 peer evaluators. Furthermore, an International Accreditation
17 Service accreditation can result in reduced cost, time savings,



1 and improvement of products and services. Thus, if applied to
2 county building codes, an accreditation by the International
3 Accreditation Service can enable county building agencies to
4 ensure that its buildings meet the best and most currently
5 accepted standards.

6 The purpose of this Act is to require each county agency
7 responsible for enforcing its respective building codes to be
8 accredited by the International Accreditation Service.

9 SECTION 2. Each county, other than the county of Kalawao,
10 shall require that the county agency responsible for enforcing
11 its respective building code shall be accredited by the
12 International Accreditation Service.

13 SECTION 3. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
14 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,
15 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the
16 appropriations contained in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023,
17 and this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure
18 ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by
19 \$ or per cent. This current declaration takes
20 into account general fund appropriations authorized for fiscal
21 year 2024-2025 in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023, and this Act



1 only. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure
2 ceiling are that:

3 (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to
4 serve the public interest; and

5 (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs
6 addressed by this Act.

7 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
8 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
9 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for a
10 grant-in-aid to each county, other than the county of Kalawao,
11 for the county agency responsible for enforcing its respective
12 building code to be accredited by the International
13 Accreditation Service, to be allocated as follows:

14 (1) \$ to the city and county of Honolulu;

15 (2) \$ to the county of Maui;

16 (3) \$ to the county of Hawaii; and

17 (4) \$ to the county of Kauai.

18 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the counties for
19 the purposes of this Act.



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1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Counties; Building Codes; International Accreditation Service;
Expenditure Ceiling; Appropriation

Description:

Requires that each county agency responsible for enforcing its respective building code be accredited by the International Accreditation Service. Makes an appropriation.

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