

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Establishment of Manpower Development and Training Programs and Making an Appropriation Therefor.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to establish manpower development and training programs in the State of Hawaii and to determine the extent to which the manpower needs of the State's economy can be met by increasing trained local labor.

SECTION 2. There is established within the department of labor and industrial relations manpower development and training programs for the various industries in the State. The training programs are to be developed to assist those unemployed and underemployed persons who cannot reasonably be expected to obtain suitable full-time employment without the benefit of training. Instruction and training shall be provided by the department of education and the University of Hawaii community college system, and/or other suitable agencies. Where a need is indicated to overcome barriers to possible training, the department of labor and industrial relations, either on its own or in cooperation with the various departments and agencies of the state and county governments and private industry, may arrange for transportation, child care and health facilities.

SECTION 3. The department of labor and industrial relations is authorized to enter into contracts for manpower development and training with the department of education and the University of Hawaii community college system.

SECTION 4. The State shall pay to each person who is enrolled in a

manpower development and training program a weekly compensation equal to the average weekly benefit amount provided under Chapter 93 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955.

SECTION 5. The department of labor and industrial relations is authorized, with the advice of the State Commission on manpower and full employment, to plan and administer manpower development and training programs under this Act. The department shall select and refer trainees, and process the payment of weekly compensation as provided under this Act. Where a need is indicated, special industry advisory committees may be set up to aid the department in programming.

SECTION 6. The State shall provide funds to cover such actual training costs as instructors' salaries, equipment and supplies.

SECTION 7. Training is to be undertaken for those occupations for which there is reasonable expectation of employment upon completion of training.

SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$300,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to the department of labor and industrial relations for the purpose of paying weekly compensation as provided by this Act for the period beginning July 1, 1969 to June 30, 1970. The department of labor and industrial relations may include such additional sums as may be necessary in its budget in succeeding fiscal years.

SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved July 15, 1969.)