S. B. NO. 1992-70

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Uniform Securities Act (Modified).

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

SECTION 1. Section 485-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

"Sec. 485-4. Exempt securities. The following securities are exempt from sections 485-8 and 485-25(a) (7):

- (1) Any security (including a revenue obligation) issued or guaranteed by the United States, any state or territory, any political subdivision of a state or territory, or any agency or corporate or other instrumentality of one or more of the foregoing, or any certificate of deposit for any of the foregoing;
- (2) Any security issued or guaranteed by Canada, any Canadian province, any political subdivision, of such province, any agency or corporate or other instrumentality of one or more of the foregoing, or any other foreign government with which the United States currently maintains diplomatic relations, if the security is recognized as a valid obligation by the issuer or guarantor;
- (3) Any security issued by and representing an interest in or a debt of, or guaranteed by, any bank organized under the laws of the United States, or any bank, savings institution, or trust company organized and supervised under the laws of any state or territory;
- (4) Any security issued by and representing an interest in or a debt of, or guaranteed by, any federal savings and loan association or any building and loan or similar association organized under the laws of any state or territory and authorized to do business in the State;
- (5) Any security issued by and representing an interest in or a debt of, or guaranteed by, any insurance company organized under the laws of any state or territory and authorized to do business in the State;
- (6) Any security issued or guaranteed by any federal credit union, or any credit union or similar association organized and supervised under the laws of the State;
- (7) Any security issued or guaranteed by any common carrier, public utility, or holding company which is (A) subject to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission; (B) a registered holding company under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or a subsidiary of such a company within the meaning of that Act; (C) regulated in respect of its rates and charges by a governmental authority of the United States or any state or territory; or (D) regulated in respect of the issuance or guarantee of the security by a governmental authority of the United States or any state or territory;

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- (8) Any security listed or approved for listing upon notice of issuance on any exchange registered or exempted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; any other security of the same issuer which is of senior or substantially equal rank; any security called for by subscription rights or warrants so listed or approved; or any warrant or right to purchase or subscribe for any of the foregoing;
- (9) Any security issued by any issuer organized and operated not for private profit but exclusively for religious, educational, benevolent, charitable, fraternal, social, athletic, or reformatory purposes, or as a chamber of commerce or trade or professional association;
- (10) Any commercial paper which arises out of a current transaction or the proceeds of which have been or are to be used for current transactions, and which evidences an obligation to pay cash within nine months of the date of issuance, exclusive of days of grace, or any renewal of such paper which is likewise limited, or any guarantee of such paper or of any such renewal;
- (11) Any investment contract issued in connection with an employees' stock purchase, savings, pension, profit-sharing, or similar benefit plan, if the commissioner is notified in writing thirty days before the inception of the plan."

SECTION 2. Section 485-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

- "Sec. 485-11. Registration by coordination. Any security for which a registration statement has been filed under the Securities Act of 1933 in connection with the same offering may be registered by coordination.
 - (1) A registration statement under this section shall contain the following information and be accompanied by the following documents:
 - (A) Three copies of the prospectus filed under the Securities Act of 1933 together with all amendments thereto;
 - (B) If the commissioner of securities requires a copy of the articles of association and by-laws (or their substantial equivalents) currently in effect, a copy of any agreements with or among underwriters, a copy of any indenture or other instrument governing the issuance of the security to be registered, and a specimen or copy of the security;
 - (C) If the commissioner requests, any other information, or copies of any other documents filed under the Securities Act of 1933; and
 - (D) An undertaking to forward all amendments to the prospectus filed under the Securities Act of 1933 promptly and in any event not later than the first business day after the day they are forwarded to or filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, whichever first occurs.

- (2) A registration statement under this section automatically becomes effective at the moment the federal registration statement becomes effective if all the following conditions are satisfied:
 - (A) No order denying registration is in effect and no proceeding is pending under section 485-13;
 - (B) The registration statement has been on file with the commissioner for at least ten days; and
 - (C) A statement of the maximum and minimum proposed offering prices and the maximum underwriting discounts and commissions has been on file for two full business days or such shorter period as the commissioner permits and the offering is made within those limitations.

The registrant shall promptly notify the commissioner by telephone or telegram of the date and time when the federal registration statement became effective and the content of the price amendment, if any, and shall promptly file a post-effective amendment containing the information and documents in the price amendment. 'Price amendment' means the final federal amendment which includes a statement of the offering price, underwriting and selling discounts or commissions, amounts of proceeds, conversion rates, call prices, and other matters dependent upon the offering price. Upon failure to receive the required notification and post-effective amendment with respect to the price amendment, the commissioner may enter an order, without notice or hearing, retroactively denying effectiveness to the registration statement or suspending its effectiveness until compliance with this paragraph, if he promptly notifies the registrant by telephone or telegram (and promptly confirms by letter or telegram when he notifies by telephone) of the issuance of the order. If the registrant proves compliance with the requirements of this paragraph as to notice and post-effective amendment, such order is void as of the time of its entry. The commissioner may waive either or both of the conditions specified in clauses (B) and (C). If the federal registration statement becomes effective before all these conditions are satisfied and they are not waived, the registration statement automatically becomes effective as soon as all the conditions are satisfied. If the registrant advises the commissioner of the date when the federal registration statement is expected to become effective, the commissioner shall promptly advise the registrant by telephone or telegram, at the registrant's expense, whether all the conditions are satisfied and whether he then contemplates the entry of any order under section 485-13; but this advice by the commissioner does not preclude the institution of such a proceeding at any time.

(4) Unless suspended or revoked by the commissioner pursuant to section 485-13, a registration statement effective under this section is effective for a period of one year and may be renewed for additional pe-

- riods of one year by filing prior to expiration of registration a copy of another or further prospectus as filed under the Securities Act of 1933, together with the payment of a renewal fee of \$20.
- (5) Every person filing a registration statement under this section shall, at the time of filing the same, pay a filing fee of \$50."

SECTION 3. Section 485-25(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

- "(a) It is unlawful for any person, in connection with the offer, sale, or purchase (whether in a transaction described in section 485-6 or otherwise) of any security (whether or not of a class described in section 485-4), in the State, directly or indirectly:
 - (1) To employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud;
 - (2) To make any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading;
 - (3) To engage in any act, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon any person;
 - (4) To issue, circulate, or publish any prospectus, circular, advertisement, printed matter, document, pamphlet, leaflet, or other literature (in this chapter sometimes referred to collectively as 'advertising matter') which shall contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein made, in the light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading;
 - (5) To issue, circulate, or publish any advertising matter or make any written representation, unless the name of the person issuing, circulating, publishing, or making the same and the fact that the person is issuing, circulating, or making the same shall be clearly indicated thereon:
 - (6) To make any statement or representation, or issue, circulate, or publish any advertising matter containing any statement, to the effect that the security has been in any way approved or endorsed by the commissioner of securities; or
 - (7) To issue, circulate, or publish any advertising matter unless a copy thereof has been previously filed with the office of the commissioner, or unless the commissioner has by rule or order exempted the filing of any advertising material."

SECTION 4. Material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

^{*} Edited accordingly

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 18, 1970.)