

A Bill for an Act Making Appropriations to Provide for the Expenses of the Legislature, the Legislative Auditor, and the Ombudsman.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general funds of the State the sum of \$769,184, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for defraying the pre-session, interim session and other expenses of the Senate for the Regular Session of 1970, Fifth State Legislature of the State of Hawaii, and for the period up to and including January 19, 1971.

SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated from the general funds of the State the sum of \$995,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for defraying the pre-session, interim session and other expenses of the House of Representatives for the Regular Session of 1970, Fifth State Legislature of the State of Hawaii, and for the period up to and including January 19, 1971.

SECTION 3. Any unencumbered balances of the appropriations provided for in sections 1 and 2 remaining at the close of the Regular Session of 1970 are hereby appropriated to defray any and all expenses of the Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively, including but without limitation to the generality of the foregoing, the expenses of any committee or committees established by either the Senate or the House of Representatives and the pre-session expenses of the Regular Session of 1971. Payment of such expenses of the Senate shall be made only with the approval of the President of the Senate, and payment of such expenses of the House of Representatives shall be made only with the approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SECTION 4. Before January 20, 1971, the Senate and the House of Representatives shall have their accounts audited and a full report of such audit

shall be presented to the Senate and to the House of Representatives of the Legislature convening on January 20, 1971.

SECTION 5. The expenses of any member of the Legislature while traveling abroad on official business of the Legislature shall not be limited by the provision of section 78-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, or by any other general statute. Until otherwise prescribed by law, the expenses of such member shall be \$45 per day and authorized by the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively.

SECTION 6. There is hereby appropriated from the general funds of the State the sum of \$176,300, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to the office of the ombudsman for defraying the expenses of the office during the fiscal year 1970-71.

SECTION 7. The appropriation provided in Section 6 of Act 2, Session Laws of Hawaii 1969, or so much thereof as may be necessary, may be expended for defraying the expenses of the office of the ombudsman without being limited to the position ceiling of four positions.

SECTION 8. There is hereby appropriated from the general funds of the State the sum of \$881,262 to the office of the legislative auditor for defraying certain expenses during the fiscal year 1970-71 as follows: (a) the sum of \$544,262 or so much thereof as may be necessary for defraying the expenses of the office of the legislative auditor during the fiscal year 1970-71; (b) the sum of \$40,000 (2.5) or so much thereof as may be necessary for defraying the expenses of the office of the state ethics commission during the fiscal year 1970-71; (c) the sum of \$65,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary to secure the services of a consultant, under such specifications as determined by the legislative auditor, to conduct an in-depth examination of and explore alternatives for the Act 97 hospitals' management and control system upon prior joint approval of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; (d) the sum of \$32,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary to secure the services of a consultant or consultants, under such specifications as determined by the legislative auditor, to examine the criteria and systems of the department of personnel services' examination program and to explore alternatives for the department's employee performance evaluation program upon prior joint approval of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; (e) the sum of \$200,000 shall be used for interim legislative studies, for contractual services for such studies, or for such other purposes as may be determined by the joint action of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or of the Senate and the House of Representatives through the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SECTION 9. Each section of this Act is hereby declared to be severable from the remainder of this Act.

SECTION 10. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 6, 1970.)