

ACT 188

S. B. NO. 894

A Bill for an Act Relating to Manpower Development and Training.

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

SECTION 1. Section 394-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“§394-1 Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to establish manpower development and training programs in the State of Hawaii and to determine the extent to which the employment needs of individuals can be met by either job training or a public service job or a combination of both.”

SECTION 2. Section 394-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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“§394-2 Establishment of programs. 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 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, health care and other aids to employment. The department of labor and industrial relations is also authorized to formulate and carry out a program of providing useful public service employment to unemployed persons. Refusal to participate in any training program or to accept suitable work as determined by the department of labor and industrial relations without justifiable reasons shall render an unemployed or underemployed person ineligible for public assistance from the department of social services and housing.”

SECTION 3. Section 394-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“§394-3 Contracts. 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 system.”

SECTION 4. Section 394-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“§394-4 Compensation. 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 383. It may pay to each person who is employed on a public service employment project instituted under §394-2 the prevailing wages of persons employed in similar public employment.”

SECTION 5. Section 394-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“§394-5 Administration. 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 chapter. The department shall process the payment of weekly compensation as provided under this chapter.

SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$400,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the payment of compensation and wages under Chapter 394 from July 1, 1971 to June 30, 1973.

SECTION 7. The department of social services and housing may transfer to, and the department of labor and industrial relations may expend, any

appropriations made for the fiscal biennium 1971-73 which may be in excess of the needs of the department of social services and housing for public assistance.

SECTION 8. 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.*

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

(Approved June 8, 1971.)

* Edited accordingly.