

ACT 195

S. B. NO. 980

A Bill for an Act Relating to Interruption of Commerce.

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

SECTION 1. Section 125-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“Sec. 125-1 ‘Emergency’ defined. As used in this chapter, unless otherwise indicated by the context, ‘emergency’ means any state of affairs or circumstances which imperils the availability to the public of commodities necessary to public health, safety, or welfare or which results in any substantial interruption of commerce to or within the State.”

SECTION 2. Section 125-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“Sec. 125-2 Powers in an emergency. If the governor declares that an emergency as defined in section 125-1 exists, he or his authorized representatives, to make available commodities necessary to the public health, safety, or welfare, or to insure the availability of commodities required to maintain commerce to or within the State under normal conditions, may:

- (1) Whenever the availability of shipping space depends upon determination by the governor or his authorized representatives, of the emergency needs of the population, allocate space to and among types of commodities and consignees, such distribution of space among consignees to be upon an equitable basis so far as reasonably practicable.

- (2) Charter or affreight a ship or ships, make any other arrangements, including contracts of guaranty, for the procurement of ships and any other means of transportation, and transport cargoes to the State. Cargoes from the State may be transported on any return voyage.
- (3) Purchase and resell, or otherwise distribute commodities.”

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.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 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 29, 1973.)

*Edited accordingly.