

ACT 238

S.B. NO. 1294

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Hawaii Visitors Bureau.

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

SECTION 1. The Hawaii Visitors Bureau (HVB) is the principle mechanism for the State's visitor industry development efforts. In addition to state funds, HVB receives gifts and in-kind contributions from the private sector. While the level of government funding for HVB is public knowledge, the level of private sector support is unknown due to the absence of any reporting of the value of the gifts and in-kind contributions received by HVB. The legislature finds that disclosure of the value of gifts and in-kind contributions received by HVB would be in the best interests of public and private sectors alike.

The purpose of this Act is to require HVB to report the value of the gifts and in-kind contributions received by HVB to the department of business and economic development.

SECTION 2. Chapter 203, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§203- Disclosure of gifts and in-kind contributions. The Hawaii Visitors Bureau shall disclose to the department in a quarterly report the value of all gifts and in-kind contributions received by the Hawaii Visitors Bureau; provided, however, that the Hawaii Visitors Bureau shall not be required to disclose the names of the persons making the gifts and in-kind contributions. The director of business and economic development shall adopt procedures and set parameters to implement the reporting requirements of the Hawaii Visitors Bureau."

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 8, 1989.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.