

ACT 268

S.B. NO. 41

A Bill for an Act Relating to Conservation.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 193, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“PART . YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS

§193- Authorization. The governor is authorized to avail the State of the benefits of any law or laws of the United States, now existing or to be enacted, such as title 16 United States Code, sections 1701 to 1706, or any other law or laws of similar purport.

§193- Administration. To carry out the program authorized by this part, the governor may:

- (1) Enter into an agreement or agreements, or designate the department of land and natural resources, or any other state department or departments as the state agency or agencies to enter into an agreement or agreements, with the proper authorities of the United States;
- (2) Designate the department of land and natural resources, or any state department or departments to design programs to provide healthful outdoor training and employment for young persons and to advance the conservation, development, and management of natural resources and recreational areas, in accordance with the applicable federal law; provided that the designated department or departments may also adopt appropriate rules under chapter 91 to carry out the programs so designed; and
- (3) Defray one-half of all costs incurred with respect to the programs or any other proportion of the costs of the programs, which may be

required by the applicable laws of the United States, out of any moneys appropriated to the department or departments designated to participate in the programs, without regard to the original purpose of the appropriations.

§193- Personnel laws; applicability. The provisions of chapters 76 to 80, and 88, except provisions of state law relating to the application of the Social Security Act of the United States to the extent that the Act shall be applicable under the federal law establishing the youth programs, shall not apply to persons employed under this part.’’

SECTION 2. Section 247-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“**§247-7 Disposition of taxes.** All taxes collected under this chapter shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the general fund of the State, to be used and expended for the purposes for which the general fund was created and exists by law; provided that of the taxes collected each fiscal year, twenty-five per cent shall be paid into the rental housing trust fund established by section 201G-432 and twenty-five per cent shall be paid into the natural area reserve fund established by section 195-9; provided that the funds paid into the natural area reserve fund shall be annually disbursed by the department of land and natural resources after joint consultation with the forest stewardship committee and the natural area reserves system commission in the following priority:

- (1) To natural area partnership and forest stewardship programs; [~~and~~]
- (2) Projects undertaken in accordance with watershed management plans pursuant to section 171-58 or watershed management plans negotiated with private landowners[-]; and
- (3) The youth conservation corps established under chapter 193.’’

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2001.

(Approved June 22, 2001.)