

ACT 142

S.B. NO. 2693

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Festival Of Pacific Arts.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the festival of pacific arts has been held approximately every four years since its founding in 1972, bringing together a delegation of at least two thousand five hundred artists, performers, and cultural practitioners from different nations in Oceania to preserve and perpetuate the arts and cultures of their indigenous peoples. The festival of pacific arts is the largest gathering in which Pacific peoples unite to respect and appreciate one another, and during the festival, delegations from twenty-seven Pacific island nations and territories share and exchange their cultures. Visitors from around the world attend the festival of pacific arts to appreciate what the artists, performers, cultural practitioners, and host country have to offer, thereby creating a global market for art, ideas, and products.

The legislature further finds that Hawaii, for the first time, has been selected to host the festival of pacific arts in 2020, and in preparation, a temporary commission on the thirteenth festival of pacific arts was established by Act 104, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the commission to plan for the thirteenth festival of pacific arts in 2020.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$950,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the commission to plan for the festival of pacific arts to be held in Honolulu from June 11 to June 27, 2020.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

(Approved July 5, 2018.)