
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. (a) The department of labor and industrial
2 relations shall establish and operate a training program to
3 augment and expand the reach of the workforce investment
4 activities currently administered by the department pursuant to
5 the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Public Law 105-
6 220, as amended. The training program shall use state funds to
7 develop and administer workforce investment activities to
8 address the training needs of:

- 9 (1) Unemployed and underemployed workers;
10 (2) Veterans;
11 (3) Persons with disabilities;
12 (4) Persons with limited English proficiency;
13 (5) Homeless persons; and
14 (6) Persons recently released from incarceration.

15 Program funds shall be allocated to county workforce investment
16 boards in proportion to the allocation of federal funds under
17 the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998, as amended, to
18 each respective county.



1 (b) The director of labor and industrial relations shall
2 adopt rules in accordance with chapter 91, Hawaii Revised
3 Statutes, to effectuate the purposes of this section.

4 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 for the
7 establishment of a training program to expand the workforce
8 investment activities administered by the department of labor
9 and industrial relations under the federal Workforce Investment
10 Act of 1998, as amended.

11 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
12 labor and industrial relations for the purposes of this Act.

13 SECTION 3. Section 383-128, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

15 "(b) The moneys in the employment and training fund may be
16 used for funding:

17 (1) The operation of the state employment service for
18 which no federal funds have been allocated;

19 (2) Business-specific training programs to create a more
20 diversified job base and to carry out the purposes of
21 the new industry training program pursuant to section
22 394-8;



- 1 (3) Industry or employer-specific training programs where
2 there are critical skill shortages in high growth
3 occupational or industry areas;
- 4 (4) Training and retraining programs to assist workers who
5 have become recently unemployed or likely to be
6 unemployed;
- 7 (5) Programs to assist residents who do not otherwise
8 qualify for federal or state job training programs to
9 overcome employment barriers; ~~and~~
- 10 (6) Training programs to provide job-specific skills for
11 individuals in need of assistance to improve career
12 employment prospects~~[-]~~; and
- 13 (7) For the period July 1, 2012, to June 30, 2013, costs
14 to administer, manage, report, and oversee Title I
15 programs funded under the federal Workforce Investment
16 Act of 1998, Public Law 105-220, as amended, for which
17 insufficient federal funds were allocated."

18 SECTION 4. If any part of this Act is found to be in
19 conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed
20 condition for the allocation of federal funds to the State, the
21 conflicting part of this Act is inoperative solely to the extent
22 of the conflict and with respect to the agencies directly



1 affected, and this finding does not affect the operation of the
2 remainder of this Act in its application to the agencies
3 concerned. The rules under this Act shall meet federal
4 requirements that are a necessary condition to the receipt of
5 federal funds by the State.

6 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030;
9 provided that on July 1, 2013, section 3 of this Act shall be
10 repealed, and section 383-128(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall
11 be reenacted in the form in which it read on December 31, 2010.



Report Title:

Workforce Investment Act; DLIR; State-Funded Training Program; Appropriation

Description:

Directs the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to establish a state-funded training program to expand the workforce investment activities administered by the DLIR under the federal Workforce Investment Act. Allows Employment and Training Fund moneys to be used for a period of one year for costs to administer, manage, report, and oversee Title I programs funded under the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998 for which insufficient federal funds were allocated. Makes an appropriation. Provides for the adoption of rules. Effective July 1, 2030. (HB2655 HD2)

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