
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS TEST SITES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 201, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding two new sections to part V to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§201- Hawaii unmanned aerial systems test site advisory
5 board; established. (a) There is established a Hawaii unmanned
6 aerial systems test site advisory board, as a subcommittee of
7 the Hawaii aerospace advisory committee, to oversee the planning
8 and operation of the Hawaii unmanned aerial systems test site.

9 (b) The board shall be composed of seven members as
10 follows:

11 (1) The adjutant general, or the adjutant general's
12 designee;

13 (2) The director of transportation, or the director's
14 designee;

15 (3) The director of business, economic development, and
16 tourism, or the director's designee;



- 1 (4) The president of the University of Hawaii, or the
2 president's designee;
- 3 (5) One member representing the Hawaii business community,
4 to be appointed by the governor pursuant to section
5 26-34; and
- 6 (6) Two members representing the aerospace or aviation
7 industries, to be appointed by the governor pursuant
8 to section 26-34.

9 Each board member shall serve for a term of four years;
10 provided that the initial terms shall be staggered, as
11 determined by the governor.

12 (c) Members of the board shall not receive compensation
13 for their services but shall be reimbursed for necessary
14 expenses, including travel expenses, incurred in the performance
15 of their duties under this section.

16 §201- Hawaii unmanned aerial systems test site chief
17 operating officer. There is established within the department
18 the position of chief operating officer, whose responsibilities
19 include the management of the operations of Hawaii's unmanned
20 aerial systems test site. The chief operating officer shall:



- 1 (1) Monitor, oversee, and recommend operations of unmanned
2 aerial systems test site activities;
- 3 (2) Facilitate opportunities for public and private use of
4 unmanned aerial systems test site facilities;
- 5 (3) Assist unmanned aerial systems test ranges;
- 6 (4) Leverage aerospace and related technological
7 capabilities in the State's academic, public, and
8 private sectors to support testing and evaluation at
9 Hawaii's unmanned aerial systems test ranges;
- 10 (5) Promote innovative education and workforce development
11 programs to enhance public awareness of the benefits
12 and opportunities that unmanned aerial systems
13 technologies and applications can bring to the State;
- 14 (6) Monitor national and global trends in unmanned aerial
15 systems development and testing, and recommend
16 policies and programs to advance unmanned aerial
17 systems testing in Hawaii;
- 18 (7) Establish and maintain a public website with updated
19 information on the program and provide information on
20 the Hawaii unmanned aerial systems test site
21 initiative;



1 (8) Contract for services and implement agreements,
2 subject to chapter 103D, as may be necessary to
3 conduct operations at Hawaii's unmanned aerial systems
4 test ranges;

5 (9) Serve as Hawaii's representative on the Pan-Pacific
6 Unmanned Aerial Systems Test Range Complex management
7 team; and

8 (10) Submit an annual report to the legislature no later
9 than twenty days prior to the convening of each
10 regular session, which shall include the status of
11 work, expenditures, and trends regarding Hawaii's
12 unmanned aerial systems test site.

13 The chief operating officer shall be subject to chapter 84
14 and may employ on a full-time basis one administrative assistant
15 for Hawaii's unmanned aerial systems test site operations and
16 activities."

17 SECTION 2. Section 84-17, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

19 "(c) The following persons shall file annually with the
20 state ethics commission a disclosure of financial interests:



- 1 (1) The governor, the lieutenant governor, the members of
2 the legislature, and delegates to the constitutional
3 convention; provided that delegates to the
4 constitutional convention shall only be required to
5 file initial disclosures;
- 6 (2) The directors and their deputies, the division chiefs,
7 the executive directors and the executive secretaries
8 and their deputies, the purchasing agents and the
9 fiscal officers, regardless of the titles by which the
10 foregoing persons are designated, of every state
11 agency and department;
- 12 (3) The permanent employees of the legislature and its
13 service agencies, other than persons employed in
14 clerical, secretarial, or similar positions;
- 15 (4) The administrative director of the State, and the
16 assistants in the office of the governor and the
17 lieutenant governor, other than persons employed in
18 clerical, secretarial, or similar positions;
- 19 (5) The hearings officers of every state agency and
20 department;



- 1 (6) The president, the vice presidents, assistant vice
- 2 presidents, the chancellors, and the provosts of the
- 3 University of Hawaii and its community colleges;
- 4 (7) The superintendent, the deputy superintendent, the
- 5 assistant superintendents, the complex area
- 6 superintendents, the state librarian, and the deputy
- 7 state librarian of the department of education;
- 8 (8) The administrative director and the deputy director of
- 9 the courts;
- 10 (9) The members of every state board or commission whose
- 11 original terms of office are for periods exceeding one
- 12 year and whose functions are not solely advisory;
- 13 (10) Candidates for state elective offices, including
- 14 candidates for election to the constitutional
- 15 convention, provided that candidates shall only be
- 16 required to file initial disclosures; [~~and~~]
- 17 (11) The administrator and assistant administrator of the
- 18 office of Hawaiian affairs[-]; and
- 19 (12) The Hawaii unmanned aerial systems test site chief
- 20 operating officer."



1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1 or so much thereof
3 as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 and the same sum
4 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017
5 for the purpose of staffing and operating Hawaii's unmanned
6 aerial systems test site activities.

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

10 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Public Safety; Unmanned Aerial Systems; Test Site; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes the Hawaii unmanned aerial systems test site chief operating officer position to, among other things, serve on the Pan-Pacific Unmanned Aerial Systems Test Range Complex management team. Establishes an advisory board to oversee and manage unmanned aerial systems test site operations. Appropriates funds to staff and operate Hawaii's unmanned aerial systems test site activities. (SB661 HD1)

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