February 20, 2015

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim,  
President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki,  
Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on February 20, 2015, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1465  
ACT 001 (15)

Sincerely,

Shan S. Tsutsui  
Acting Governor, State of Hawaii
A BILL FOR AN ACT


BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $8,776,876 or so much thereof as may be necessary to the senate for the following expenses:

1. The sum of $7,514,376 for defraying any and all session and nonsession expenses of the senate up to and including June 30, 2016, including the 2015 regular session, twenty-eighth legislature of the State of Hawaii, and pre-session expenses and the expenses of any committee or committees established during the interim between the 2015 and 2016 regular sessions;

2. The sum of $1,150,000 for defraying the expenses of the legislative information system for cost items such as hardware, software, consultants, installation, materials, supplies, and other related costs.
associated with the legislative information system
that have been or will be incurred; and

(3) The sum of $112,500 for defraying the cost of the
legislative broadcasting program to pay for the
production and distribution of television broadcasts
of legislative proceedings.

The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by
the senate.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $12,022,114 or so
much thereof as may be necessary to the house of representatives
for the following expenses:

(1) The sum of $10,971,190 for defraying any and all
session and nonsession expenses of the house of
representatives up to and including June 30, 2016,
including the 2015 regular session, twenty-eighth
legislature of the State of Hawaii, and pre-session
expenses and the expenses of any committee or
committees established during the interim between the
2015 and 2016 regular sessions;
(2) The sum of $938,424 for defraying the expenses of the legislative information system for cost items such as hardware, software, consultants, installation, materials, supplies, and other related costs associated with the legislative information system that have been or will be incurred; and
(3) The sum of $112,500 for defraying the cost of the legislative broadcasting program to pay for the production and distribution of television broadcasts of legislative proceedings.

The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by the house of representatives.

SECTION 3. Payment of expenses of the senate during the interim between the 2015 and 2016 regular sessions shall be made only with the approval of the president of the senate, and payment of expenses of the house of representatives during the interim between the 2015 and 2016 regular sessions shall be made only with the approval of the speaker of the house of representatives.

SECTION 4. Before January 20, 2016, the senate and the house of representatives shall each have their accounts audited,
and a full report of the respective audits shall be presented to
the senate and to the house of representatives convening on
January 20, 2016.

SECTION 5. Unless otherwise prescribed by law, the
expenses of any member of the legislature while traveling abroad
on official business of the legislature shall be $145 a day as
authorized by the president of the senate and the speaker of the
house of representatives.

SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general
revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $2,947,349 or so much
thereof as may be necessary to the office of the auditor for the
following expenses:

(1) The sum of $2,797,349 for defraying the expenses of
the office of the auditor during fiscal year
2015-2016; and

(2) The sum of $150,000 during fiscal year 2015-2016 for:
   (A) Performing special studies;
   (B) Improving capabilities for planning, programming,
       and budgeting;
   (C) Fulfilling other special requests made of the
       auditor by the legislature or jointly by the
president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives;

(D) Legislative studies and contractual services for those studies; and

(E) Such other purposes as may be determined by the joint action of the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives.

The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by the auditor.

SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $2,800,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary to the office of the auditor during fiscal year 2015-2016 to be deposited into the audit revolving fund established pursuant to section 23-3.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the audit revolving fund the sum of $6,300,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary to the office of the auditor during fiscal year 2015-2016 for the office to conduct or complete its audit functions as provided by law.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the auditor.
SECTION 9. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $3,440,969 or so much thereof as may be necessary to the legislative reference bureau for defraying the expenses of the legislative reference bureau during fiscal year 2015-2016, including equipment relating to computer systems programming and operations.

The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by the legislative reference bureau.

SECTION 10. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $1,216,170 or so much thereof as may be necessary to the office of the ombudsman for defraying the expenses of the office during fiscal year 2015-2016.

The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by the ombudsman.

SECTION 11. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $1,008,895 or so much thereof as may be necessary to the office of the state ethics commission for defraying the expenses of the office during fiscal year 2015-2016.
The sum appropriated in this section shall be expended by the state ethics commission.

SECTION 12. Except for moneys in the audit revolving fund, as of the close of business on June 30, 2016, the unexpended or unencumbered balance of any appropriation made by this Act shall lapse into the general fund.

SECTION 13. Each section of this Act is declared to be severable from the remainder of this Act.

SECTION 14. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

APPROVED this 20 day of FEB, 2015

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII