
A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM BRANCH.

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

1 SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for
2 immediate passage in accordance with article VII, section 9, of
3 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

4 SECTION 2. Although funds were appropriated to the
5 department of health for emergency medical services for the
6 fiscal period beginning July 1, 2005 and ending June 30, 2006, a
7 critical funding emergency now exists.

8 The purpose of this Act is to:

9 (1) Appropriate funds for fiscal year 2005-2006 to pay for
10 unexpected ambulance service contract collective
11 bargaining costs, fuel and other ambulance service
12 operating costs, and contract ambulance billing and
13 collection costs. This emergency appropriation is
14 necessary to comply with collective bargaining
15 increases negotiated by ambulance service providers
16 statewide, increases in fuel and other ambulance
17 service operating costs, and increases in workload in



1 contracted ambulance billing and collection services;
2 and

3 (2) Request an increase in the emergency medical services
4 special fund due to increase in costs in contract
5 ambulance services in the counties of Maui and Kauai,
6 and to pay certain administrative expenses of the
7 special fund.

8 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$4 or so much thereof
10 as may be necessary for fiscal year 2005-2006 to be used as
11 follows:

12 (1) \$1 for the city and county of Honolulu;
13 (2) \$1 for the county of Hawaii;
14 (3) \$1 for the department of health for the purposes of
15 payment to the American Medical Response-Maui; and
16 (4) \$1 for the department of health for the purposes of
17 payment to the American Medical Response-Kauai,
18 to pay for negotiated collective bargaining agreements,
19 increases in fuel costs, and other ambulance service operating
20 costs.

21 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
22 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1 or so much thereof



1 as may be necessary for fiscal year 2005-2006 for emergency
2 medical system contract ambulance billing and collection costs.

3 SECTION 5. There is appropriated an increase in the
4 emergency medical services special fund the sum of \$1 or so much
5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2005-2006 to be used
6 for increased costs in contract ambulance services for the
7 counties of Maui and Kauai, and for payment of the central
8 service assessment and department administrative expenses for
9 fiscal year 2005-2006.

10 SECTION 6. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the
11 department of health for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Emergency Medical Services; Emergency Appropriations

Description:

Makes an emergency appropriation for FY 2006 to pay for various costs relating to emergency medical services. (HB2376 HD1)

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