
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that West Maui has a de
2 facto population of fifty thousand, and its resident population
3 is projected to double within ten years. The area lacks twenty-
4 four hour, seven days a week, urgent and extended medical care.
5 Urgent care is required for any episode of illness or injury
6 that is not immediately life-threatening and not elective but is
7 brought on unexpectedly. Extended care services refer to the
8 provision of appropriate medical care after normal physician
9 work hours, or after 8:00 p.m. on weekdays and whole or partial
10 days on the weekends and on holidays.

11 The legislature finds that West Maui patients who need
12 urgent care after hours must drive over twenty-five miles one-
13 way to central Maui for care. Providing outpatient, urgent, and
14 extended medical care in West Maui could reduce the costs of
15 health care and provide needed medical services to residents of
16 the area.

17 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to provide
18 outpatient, urgent, and extended medical care in West Maui.



1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$300,000 or so much
 3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 for Hawaii
 4 Health Systems Corporation to contract with a private health
 5 care provider or a non-profit health care provider pursuant to
 6 chapter 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to:

7 (1) Provide outpatient, urgent, and extended medical care
 8 services after 8:00 p.m., in West Maui. Proposals
 9 shall demonstrate long-term sustainability or a means
 10 to reduce non-emergency emergency dispatch calls to
 11 Maui memorial medical center and a commitment to
 12 accept all patients; and

13 (2) Fund expenses related to the delivery of direct
 14 services, including staff salaries for medical and
 15 administrative personnel, and operating expenses;
 16 provided that funds shall not be used for equipment.

17 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
 18 health for the purposes of this Act.

19 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

Report Title:

West Maui; Outpatient Urgent and Extended Medical Care

Description:

Appropriates \$300,000 to DOH to provide outpatient urgent and extended medical care after normal physician hours in West Maui.
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