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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 346, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§346-     Expenditure of temporary assistance for needy  
5 families funds. (a) Funds received by the State under the  
6 temporary assistance for needy families program block grant  
7 shall be subject to appropriation by the legislature and shall  
8 not be expended by the department without a legislative  
9 appropriation.

10           (b) No later than thirty days before the convening of each  
11 regular session, the department shall:

12           (1) Submit a plan, developed in consultation with  
13 temporary assistance for needy families program heads  
14 of households and other community members familiar  
15 with those families' situations and needs, to the  
16 legislature detailing how the funds received under the  
17 temporary assistance for needy families program shall



1           be expended and describing the desired outcomes from  
2           the expenditure of the funds;

3       (2) Continue the strategic planning process, with the  
4           assistance of the financial assistance advisory  
5           council, to involve the community in planning for the  
6           future use of temporary assistance for needy families  
7           funds and to set annual goals and outcomes for  
8           existing and new programs receiving temporary  
9           assistance for needy families funds, pursuant to  
10          section 346-14.5; and

11       (3) Submit an annual report on the effectiveness and level  
12          of success in reaching the desired outcomes under:

13           (A) The plan in paragraphs (1) and (2); and

14           (B) Programs from the previous two fiscal years using  
15           temporary assistance for needy families funds."

16       SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
17       matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
18       begun, before its effective date.

19       SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

20       SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

TANF Funds; Legislative Appropriation and Oversight

**Description:**

Requires Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds to be appropriated by the legislature and requires the department of human services to submit a plan for expenditure of TANF funds. (SD2)

