
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SAGE PLUS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The Sage PLUS program provides assistance at no
2 charge to people receiving Medicare and Medicaid benefits, as
3 well as their families, caregivers, and people on the verge of
4 retirement.

5 The program is currently housed and staffed only on Oahu.
6 Volunteers provide limited service on the neighbor islands for
7 residents of Hilo, Kona, Maui, and Kauai, but there is no office
8 or staff support available to them.

9 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to
10 establish Sage PLUS specialist positions for Kauai, Maui, and
11 Hawaii counties and for operating costs to expand and support
12 the Sage PLUS program on the neighbor islands.

13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$104,000, or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, to fund
16 four 0.5 FTE program specialist ___ positions for operation and
17 delivery of the Sage PLUS program on the neighbor islands. The



1 employees shall be housed in Sage PLUS's partner offices as
2 follows:

- 3 (1) Maui AAA;
- 4 (2) Kauai AAA;
- 5 (3) Coordinated Services for Seniors in Hilo; and
- 6 (4) Coordinated Services for Seniors in Kona.

7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
8 health for the purposes of this section.

9 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$64,500, or so much
11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for the
12 recruitment, training, and sustaining of volunteers to augment
13 the Sage PLUS program staff, and for operating costs of the
14 neighbor island Sage PLUS program staff.

15 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
16 health for the purposes of this section.

17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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INTRODUCED BY: 

Report Title:
Sage PLUS; Appropriation

SB. NO. 2563

Description:

Makes an appropriation for the Sage PLUS program to establish four .5 FTE Sage PLUS specialist positions to expand services to the neighbor islands, and for funds to support the program's operating costs.

