

JAN 25 2006

A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR NA KEIKI LAW CENTER.

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

1 SECTION 1. The Volunteer Legal Services of Hawaii's Na
2 Keiki Law Center exclusively focuses on the legal needs and
3 rights of children by providing guidance and legal services to
4 children and their families in need. The center also provides
5 legal education and support to professionals working with
6 children, including teachers, social workers, foster parents and
7 others. The center offers legal representation for children who
8 are at risk of being or have been abused or neglected, legal
9 support for children who are witnesses of domestic violence or
10 other crimes, and assistance for children who are at risk of
11 being or are homeless. All of these services allow the center
12 to fulfill its main purpose of protecting children.

13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so
15 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
16 human services to fund legal services to children.



1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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SB. NO. 3237

Report Title:

Legal Services to Children; Appropriations

Description:

Appropriates funds to Volunteer Legal Services of Hawaii Na Keiki Law Center to provide legal services and support to children and their families in need.

