A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO POLICE DEPARTMENTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a 2 new section to be appropriately designated and to read as 3 follows: 4 Reported drug activity; officer response. Each 5 county police department shall institute a policy whereby a 6 uniformed officer shall respond to each report from the public 7 of suspected illegal drug activity, including but not limited to 8 the manufacture, distribution, or use of dangerous drugs, 9 detrimental drugs, harmful drugs, intoxicating compounds, 10 marijuana, or marijuana concentrate as those terms are defined 11 in section 712-1240." 12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general 13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so 14 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and 15 the same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal 16 year 2008-2009, for grants-in-aid to the several counties for 17 the costs of mandating police officer response to reported

- 1 suspected illegal drug activity. The specific amount
- 2 appropriated for each county shall be as follows:
- 3 (1) City and County of Honolulu \$
- 4 (2) County of Hawaii \$
- 5 (3) County of Kauai
- 6 (4) County of Maui \$
- 7 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the counties for
- 8 the purposes of this Act.
- 9 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

Suspected Illegal Drug Activity

Description:

Requires counties to adopt a policy whereby a uniformed police officer must respond to each report from the public of suspected drug activity. Makes appropriation.

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