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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMUNITY-BASED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the business community, nonprofit organizations, and other entrepreneurs require a functional, service-oriented agency that is readily available to provide business counseling, financial backing, and general support to foster real community-based economic development of the various products and services demonstrating and embracing Hawaii's diversified economy.

8 The Hawaii community-based economic development (CBED) 9 technical and financial assistance program (CBED program) of the 10 department of business, economic development, and tourism, was 11 established for this purpose. The legislature established the 12 CBED program in Act 111, Session Laws of Hawaii 1990, to provide 13 financial assistance to community-based businesses and 14 enterprises through low-interest loans and grants to qualifying 15 applicants.

16 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the CBED17 program.



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SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much
thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 and the
same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
2008-2009 to the community-based economic development revolving
fund to provide grants under the Hawaii community-based economic
development technical and financial assistance program.

8 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department 9 of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes 10 of this Act.

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SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Hawaii Community-based Economic Development; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates \$500,000 for each year in the 2007-2009 fiscal biennium to provide grants under the Hawaii Community-based Economic Development Technical and Financial Assistance Program.

