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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING.

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

1 SECTION 1. Several years ago, when the federal Weed and 2 Seed initiative was in effect at the Mayor Wright homes public 3 housing complex, residents saw a significant change for the 4 better in their neighborhood. Recently, the complex has been 5 the site of a shooting and other disturbances involving tenants 6 and their neighbors. There have been several instances of 7 public drunkenness, excessive noise, and conflicts with 8 neighbors.

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The purpose of this Act is to:

10 (1) Appropriate funds for improved security measures at
 11 the Mayor Wright homes public housing complex,
 12 including the contract hiring of at least three

13 security officers; and

14 (2) Require the Hawaii public housing authority to submit
15 a report to the legislature on the progress of
16 security improvements at Mayor Wright homes.

17 SECTION 2. The Hawaii public housing authority shall

18 submit a report to the legislature no later than twenty days HB320 HD2 HMS 2007-2759



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1 prior to the convening of the regular session of 2008 on the 2 progress of security improvements at Mayor Wright homes. The 3 report shall include: 4 (1) Actions that have been taken to improve the safety and 5 security of the residents of Mayor Wright homes; (2) Plans made with the management of Mayor Wright homes, 6 7 tenants, and other stakeholders to further improve 8 security; 9 (3) The number of additional security guards required to 10 ensure the safety of the tenants and quests of Mayor Wright homes on a twenty-four-hour basis; and 11 12 (4) Any other findings and recommendations, including 13 suggested legislation, regarding the security 14 situation at Mayor Wright homes. There is appropriated out of the general 15 SECTION 3. 16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much 17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 and the 18 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 19 2008-2009 for the contract hiring of at least three full-time 20 security officers at the Mayor Wright homes public housing 21 complex.



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The sums appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
 public housing authority for the purposes of this Act.
 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



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Report Title:

Public Housing; Security

Description:

Appropriates funds for improved security measures at the Mayor Wright homes public housing complex, including the contract hiring of at least three full-time security officers. Requires a progress report to the Legislature. (HB320 HD2)

