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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS.

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

1	SECTION 1. Section 257-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by amending the definition of "qualified expenditures"
3	to read as follows:
4	""Qualified expenditures" means an expense as determined by
5	a fiduciary organization, which may include but not be limited
6	to:
7	(1) Costs associated with first homeownership;
8	(2) Post-secondary education;
9	(3) Vocational training; [and]
10	(4) Small or micro-business capitalization[-]; and
11	(5) One motor vehicle purchase for school or work
12	transportation."
13	SECTION 2. Section 257-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14	amended by amending subsections (b), (c), and (d) to read as
15	follows:
16	"(b) Locally-based organizations shall enter into a
17	competitive process for the right to become fiduciary

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organizations for a portion of the state matching dollars that 1 2 would be authorized initially. Fiduciary organization proposals 3 shall be evaluated and participation rights awarded on the basis 4 of such items as: 5 (1)Their ability to market the program to potential 6 individual development account holders and potential 7 matching fund contributors; Their ability to provide safe and secure investments 8 (2)9 for individual development accounts; 10 (3) Their overall administrative capacity, including: 11 (A) Certifications or verifications required to 12 assure compliance with eligibility requirements; 13 (B) Authorized uses of the accounts matching 14 contributions by individuals or businesses; and 15 (C) Penalties for unauthorized distributions; 16 Their capacity to provide financial counseling and (4)17 other related services to potential participants; and 18 (5) Their links to other activities designed to increase 19 the independence of individuals and families through 20 high return investments, including homeownership, 21 education and training, and small business 22 development.



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1	The State shall provide technical and administrative
2	assistance to fiduciary organizations to meet the criteria under
3	this subsection; provided that the State may expend appropriate
4	federal moneys, including but not limited to temporary
5	assistance to needy families and community development block
6	grants, for this purpose.
7	(c) If the State approves an application to fund an
8	individual development account project under this section, the
9	State [shall], not later than one month after June 28, 1999,
10	shall authorize the applicant to conduct the project with state
11	funds [for five project years] in accordance with the approved
12	application and this section; provided that an applicant may
13	apply for funding during future fiscal years [for five project
14	years] if the State lacks the resources to fund an individual
15	development account project pursuant to this subsection.
16	(d) For each individual development account program
17	approved under this section, the State shall make a grant to the
18	qualified entity or collaboration of entities authorized to
19	conduct the project on the first day of the project year in an
20	amount not to exceed \$100,000 per year [for five years]."
21	SECTION 3. Section 257-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
22	amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
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1	"(a) The State shall match an amount of up to \$100,000 per
2	calendar year for individual development accounts. The State
3	may expend appropriate federal moneys, including but not limited
4	to temporary assistance to needy families and community
5	development block grants, for purposes of this subsection, in
6	addition to general funds."
7	SECTION 4. Section 257-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8	amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:
9	"(d) Selected fiduciary organizations may use no more than
10	[ten] <u>twenty-five</u> per cent of state funds as appropriated under
11	this [+]chapter[+] to cover administrative costs in any given
12	year."
13	SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general
14	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$2,000,000, or so
15	much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, for
16	fiduciary organizations, as defined in section 257-1, Hawaii
17	Revised Statutes, to conduct individual development account
18	programs, as provided in section 257-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
19	The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
20	human services for the purposes of this Act.
21	SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed

22 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.





1 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

Individual Development Accounts

Description:

Repeals 5 year limitation on direct state funding to fiduciary organizations. Requires State to provide technical and administrative assistance to fiduciary organizations. Allows qualified expenditures for auto purchases. Raises the limit fiduciary organizations may use to cover administrative costs. Allows State to utilize federal funds for matching funds. Makes appropriation to department of human services for fiduciary organizations.

