A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PERINATAL CARE.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006,
2	establishe	ed a pilot perinatal clinic to provide comprehensive
3	prenatal,	delivery, and postpartum care to women on Oahu who
4	have a his	story of methamphetamine and other substance use,
5	including	alcohol and tobacco. In addition, the pilot perinatal
6	clinic is	responsible for providing the women with:
7	(1)	Substance abuse counseling;
8	(2)	Pediatric care with appropriate developmental
9		interventions;
10	(3)	Psychiatric care for patients with dual diagnoses; and
11	(4)	Case management, including social services and
12		coordination with child welfare services to ensure
13		that the home environment is safe, to prevent the
14		abandonment of children, and to keep families intact
15		whenever possible, as long as the safety of the
16		children is assured.

1 The sum of \$400,000 was appropriated for fiscal year 2 2006-2007 to establish the pilot perinatal clinic and to provide 3 case management services. The pilot clinic is currently being 4 established, and the care will include non-judgmental substance 5 use counseling, parenting classes, social service resources, and 6 legal services. The goals of the comprehensive care and 7 services provided by the clinic will be to facilitate the 8 patient's transition from a troubled, pregnant woman to a 9 coping, capable parent; to assess the safety of the home 10 environment for the child; and to prevent outplacement and keep 11 families together whenever possible. 12 There is a need for additional funding to continue the 13 pilot perinatal clinic through fiscal years 2007-2008 and 14 2008-2009. 15 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general **16** revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$200,000, 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 department of human services to contract with

the university clinical educational and research associates

program at the University of Hawaii department of obstetrics,

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- 1 gynecology, and women's health to continue the pilot perinatal
- 2 clinic and the provision of case management services.
- 3 SECTION 3. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the
- 4 department of human services for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

Appropriation; Pilot Perinatal Clinic

Description:

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Appropriates funds to continue the pilot perinatal clinic for women with a history of substance abuse on Oahu.