### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2007 STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO. <sup>1368</sup> S.D. 1

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL FACILITIES SPECIAL FUND.

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

1	SECTION 1. Section 321-1.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is			
2	amended by amending the title and subsections (a) and (b) to			
3	read as follows:			
4	"§321-1.4 [Hospital and medical facilities] Office of			
5	health care assurance special fund; deposits; expenditures. (a)			
6	There is established within the department of health, to be			
7	administered by the department of health, the [ <del>hospital and</del>			
8	medical facilities] office of health care assurance special fund			
9	into which shall be deposited moneys collected under section			
10	321-11.5(b)[-] and all administrative penalties imposed and			
11	collected by the office of health care assurance pursuant to			
12	section 321-20.			
13	(b) Moneys in the special fund shall be expended by the			
14	department:			
15	(1) To assist in offsetting operating costs and			
16	educational program expenses of the department's			
17	[hospital and medical facilities branch;] office of			
18	health care assurance; and			
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1	(2) For	the purpose of enhancing the capacity of [hospital	
2	and	medical facilities] office of health care	
3	assurance programs to:		
4	(A)	Improve public <u>health</u> outreach efforts, program	
5		and community development, and consultations to	
6		industries regulated; and	
7	(B)	Educate the public, the staff of the department	
8		of health, [ <del>hospitals, nursing homes, and care</del>	
9		homes, and industries] other departments within	
10		the State, as well as staff and providers of all	
11		health care facilities and agencies regulated.	
12	Not more than	[ <del>\$230,000</del> ] <u>\$300,000</u> of the special fund may be	
13	used during any fiscal year for [education.] the activities		
14	carried out by the office of health care assurance."		
15	SECTION 2. Section 321-11.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
16	amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:		
17	"(b) All	fees paid and collected pursuant to this section	
18	and rules adop	ted in accordance with chapter 91 from facilities	
19	seeking licensure or certification by the department, including		
20	hospitals, nursing homes, home health agencies, intermediate		
21	care facilities for the mentally retarded, freestanding		
22	outpatient sur	gical facilities, adult day health care centers,	
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1	rural health centers, laboratories, adult residential care		
2	homes, expanded adult residential care homes, developmental		
3	disability domiciliary homes, assisted living facilities,		
4	therapeutic living programs, and special treatment facilities,		
5	shall be deposited into the [hospital and medical facilities]		
6	office of health care assurance special fund created under		
7	section 321-1.4. Any other entities required by law to be		
8	licensed by the department shall also be subject to reasonable		
9	fees established by the department by rules adopted in		
10	accordance with chapter 91."		
11	SECTION 3. Section 321-15.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
12	amended by amending subsection (g) to read as follows:		
13	"(g) Any fines collected by the department for violations		
14	of this section shall be deposited into the [general] office of		
15	health care assurance special fund."		
16	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed		
17	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.		
18	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.		

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#### Report Title:

Hospital and Medical Facilities Special Fund

### Description:

Renames the special fund to reflect the current name of the Office of Health Care Assurance (OHCA). Requires that all moneys collected by OHCA in the form of fees and fines be deposited into this account. Allows the moneys deposited into the special fund to be used to offset OHCA's operational expenses. (SD1)

