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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that foster youth often  
2 need assistance in acquiring independent living skills and  
3 transitional housing once they are ready to leave foster care.  
4 A high number of foster youth become homeless once they turn  
5 eighteen.

6           The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the  
7 department of human services to provide independent living  
8 skills training and housing vouchers or assistance for foster  
9 youth and youth being released from foster care.

10          SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$                    or so  
12 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for  
13 independent skills training for foster youth and youth being  
14 released from foster care.

15          The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
16 human services for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 to  
4 the department of human services for the purpose of providing  
5 housing vouchers or other financial support for housing to allow  
6 foster youth or youth being released from foster care to choose  
7 their own residence.

8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
9 human services for the purposes of this Act.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.



**Report Title:**

Appropriation; Foster Youth; Skills Training; Housing

**Description:**

Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services for independent living skills training and housing assistance for foster youth and youth being released from foster care. (HB2273 HD1)

