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A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER PROGRAM.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for
- 2 immediate passage in accordance with section 9 of article VIII
- 3 of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.
- 4 SECTION 2. The purpose of this Act is to provide
- 5 sufficient moneys to meet the increased expenses of the deposit
- 6 beverage container program by making an emergency appropriation
- 7 to increase the spending ceiling of the deposit beverage
- 8 container special fund by \$10,000,000, from \$52,255,620 to
- 9 \$62,255,620, for fiscal year 2006-2007.
- 10 This fiscal year, expenses will exceed the appropriation
- 11 ceiling because the number of deposit beverage containers
- 12 actually sold (approximately 960,000,000) will greatly exceed
- 13 estimates of two years ago (approximately 800,000,000).
- 14 Increased container numbers plus the current redemption rate of
- 15 about sixty-eight per cent results in more deposits to refund
- 16 and more redemption center handling fees for the department to
- 17 pay; refunds and handling fees will easily exceed \$58,000,000.



- 1 There are also increased administrative expenses, due in part to
- 2 more staff and miscellaneous expenses.
- 3 The special fund has enough moneys to pay the emergency
- 4 appropriation.
- 5 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the deposit
- 6 beverage container special fund the sum of \$10,000,000, or so
- 7 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
- 8 the purpose of reimbursing deposit beverage container refund
- 9 values, for paying handling fees to redemption centers, and for
- 10 operating costs of the fund for deposit beverage container
- 11 activities described.
- 12 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 13 health for the purposes of this Act.
- 14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



Report Title:

Deposit Beverage Container Special Fund

Description:

Makes an emergency appropriation out of the deposit beverage container special fund for reimbursing deposit values, paying handling fees at redemption centers, and operating and administrative costs.