

JAN 19 2007

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PERINATAL CARE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006,
2 established a pilot perinatal clinic to provide comprehensive
3 prenatal, delivery, and postpartum care to women on Oahu who
4 have a history 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
20 the university clinical educational and research associates
21 program at the University of Hawaii department of obstetrics,



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:

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

