

S.B. NO. 1458

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND INJURY PREVENTION
SYSTEM BRANCH.

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 VII of
3 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

4 SECTION 2. Although funds were appropriated to the
5 department of health for emergency medical services for the
6 fiscal period beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007,
7 a critical funding emergency now exists.

8 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate additional funds
9 for emergency aeromedical services on Oahu.

10 An additional \$1,900,000 in general funds for fiscal year
11 2006-2007 is required to pay for emergency aeromedical services
12 on Oahu. This emergency appropriation is necessary to cover the
13 reimbursement costs associated with the delivery of service by
14 the Hawaii Army National Guard in providing emergency
15 aeromedical services that were previously provided by the United
16 States Army.

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1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,900,000, or so
3 much thereof as may be necessary, for fiscal year 2006-2007 to
4 reimburse costs associated with the delivery of service by the
5 Hawaii Army National Guard or other provider.

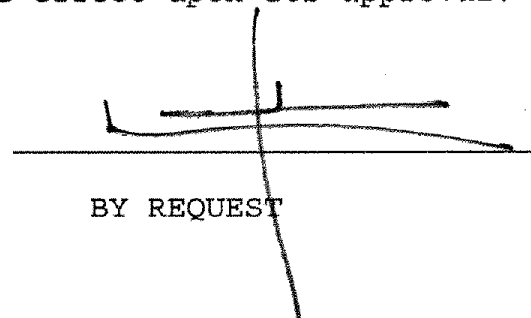
6 SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the
7 department of health for the purposes of this Act.

8 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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BY REQUEST

JUSTIFICATION SHEET

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DEPARTMENT: Health

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND INJURY PREVENTION SYSTEM BRANCH.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Act is to appropriate an additional \$1,900,000 in general funds to reimburse costs incurred by the Hawaii Army National Guard (HIANG) or other provider for furnishing helicopter medical transport services on Oahu that were previously provided by the United States Army.

MEANS: Emergency appropriation of \$1,900,000 for fiscal year 2006-2007.

JUSTIFICATION: The requested appropriation for helicopter transport (emergency aeromedical services) on Oahu is to reimburse costs associated with the delivery of service by the HIANG or other provider. The cost of this service was underestimated in the 2006 supplemental budget request as it was then anticipated that the HIANG would provide service only until June 30, 2006, and thereafter a military contracted provider would assume the service at an anticipated cost of one million dollars for fiscal year 2006-2007. The military procurement did not occur, and therefore, the HIANG has extended its service into fiscal year 2006-2007 and requires additional funds to operate the service.

The general fund recommendation included in this measure has been made in accordance with the statutorily defined appropriation ceiling for the

Executive Branch pursuant to section 37-92, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Including appropriations made up to and including the regular session of 2006, the Executive Branch appropriation ceiling for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 has already been exceeded by \$415,349,859 or 8.51 percent. Funding requested in this measure is needed to reimburse costs incurred by the Hawaii Army National Guard (HIANG) or other provider in providing emergency aeromedical transportation services on the island of Oahu, and will result in the appropriation ceiling for the Executive Branch to now be exceeded in Fiscal Year 2006-2007 by \$1,900,000 or 0.04 percent. This current declaration takes into account additional general fund appropriations authorized for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 in this measure only, and does not include other general fund appropriations for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 that may be authorized for the Executive Branch in other legislation submitted to the Legislature during the regular session of 2007.

Impact on the public: Emergency aeromedical services will continue to be provided on Oahu.

Impact on the department and other agencies: Passage of this bill will enable the department to meet its obligation to continue emergency medical services, including emergency aeromedical services, throughout the State as required by part XVIII of chapter 321, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

GENERAL FUND: \$1,900,000.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

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PPBS PROGRAM
DESIGNATION: HTH-730.

OTHER AFFECTED
AGENCIES: Hawaii Army National Guard, Emergency
Services Department, the City and
County of Honolulu.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.