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A BILL FOR AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR POULI ROAD CONNECTOR IMPROVEMENTS, BALL FIELD AND RECREATIONAL FACILITY LIGHT SYSTEM RETROFITTING, AND ERADICATION OF THE COQUI FROG.

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

PART I

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2 SECTION 1. The director of finance is authorized to issue
3 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$1,800,000, or so much
4 thereof as may be necessary, and the same sum, or so much
5 thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for fiscal year
6 2007-2008, for the capital improvement projects in the county of
7 Kaua'i listed in section 2 of this part.

8 SECTION 2. The following sums, or so much thereof as shall
9 be sufficient to finance the projects listed in this part, are
10 hereby appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of
11 Hawaii for fiscal year 2007-2008:

12 A. POULI ROAD CONNECTOR IMPROVEMENTS \$1,000,000

13 This traffic improvement project will help to
14 alleviate heavy traffic congestion in Kapa'a, which is
15 the most populated area on the island of Kauai. The
16 Pouli road connector improvements project will link



1 the State's two-lane temporary Kapa'a bypass road to
2 the existing two-lane Kuhio highway and would create
3 an alternative route to mitigate traffic congestion
4 through the Kapa'a corridor. The project includes an
5 environmental impact study and an environmental
6 assessment planning process, right-of-way acquisition,
7 and construction of a two-lane major collector
8 roadway, sixty feet in length, from Kuhio Highway to
9 the temporary Kapa'a Bypass Road. The connector
10 roadway will be approximately 0.7 miles with
11 intersection improvements at Kuhio highway and Pouli
12 road to include traffic signal and box culvert
13 installation over an existing canal. This project is
14 estimated to cost approximately \$5,000,000 and the
15 State is requested to appropriate the twenty per cent
16 matching funds for the eighty per cent federal
17 funding. The state department of transportation, the
18 Kapa'a Business Association and the Governor's Traffic
19 Advisory Task Force recognize the merits of this
20 project.

21 B. BALLFIELD AND RECREATIONAL FACILITY \$800,000
22 LIGHT SYSTEM RETROFITTING - PHASE I



1 Retrofitting of the ballfield and recreational
2 facility light system is required to meet compliance
3 with federal regulations governing endangered and
4 threatened seabirds on Kaua'i. Funds will be used for
5 the design and construction of the project, which is
6 necessary to accommodate continued evening use of
7 outdoor sports facilities utilized by Kauai schools
8 and community leagues. Currently, compliance efforts
9 have been made by the county to reschedule sporting
10 events during the daylight hours if possible, to avoid
11 the threatened shearwater seabirds' attraction to the
12 ballfield lighting. Phase I of this multi-phase
13 project is estimated to cost \$1,600,000, of which
14 fifty per cent is requested to be funded by the State.
15 Phase II is estimated to cost \$1,720,000. Phase III
16 is estimated to cost \$2,240,000. Phase IV is
17 estimated to cost \$540,000. The total estimated cost
18 of this project is \$6,500,000.

19 SECTION 3. The sums appropriated for the respective
20 projects set forth in section 2 of this Act shall be expended by
21 the county of Kauai for the purposes of this part.



1 SECTION 4. The appropriations made for the capital
2 improvement projects authorized by this part shall not lapse at
3 the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriations are
4 made; provided that all money from the appropriations
5 unencumbered as of June 30, 2010, shall lapse of that date.

6 PART II

7 SECTION 5. The island of Kaua'i has great potential to
8 eradicate the coqui frog if adequate funding is appropriated to
9 continue the eradication efforts of the Kaua'i Invasive Species
10 Committee. Increased state funding is necessary for the
11 systematic and persistent fight to eradicate the coqui frog.
12 Due to the relatively localized nature of the infestation of the
13 coqui frog on Kaua'i, the committee has presented a plan that
14 will totally eradicate the pest by the fall of 2007. However,
15 insufficient state funding was granted to the committee for
16 fiscal year 2005-2006. The Kauai county council is anticipated
17 to appropriate \$300,000 from its 2006-2007 fiscal year budget.

18 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general
19 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$300,000, or so much
20 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, for a
21 grant-in-aid to the county of Kaua'i for eradication of the
22 coqui frog on the island of Kaua'i.

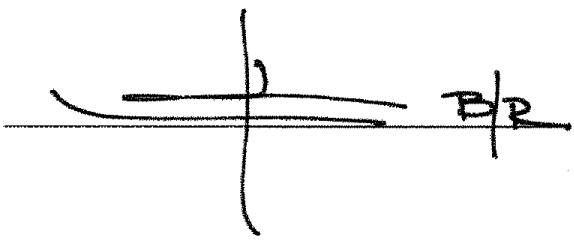


1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the county of
2 Kaua'i for the purposes of this part.

3 PART III

4 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

General Obligation Bonds; Kaua'i CIP; Coqui Frog

Description:

Appropriates \$1,800,000 for CIP projects on Kaua'i for Pouli road connector improvements, ballfield and recreational facility light system retrofitting and \$300,000 for the eradication of the coqui frog.

