

JAN 19 2007

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INSURANCE FRAUD.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that insurance fraud
2 is a significant problem in Hawaii. The legislature finds that
3 to combat insurance fraud, not only is it necessary to have
4 substantial fines for a person committing insurance fraud as a
5 deterrent, but it is also necessary to have sufficient staff in
6 the office of the insurance fraud investigations unit to
7 prosecute persons committing insurance fraud. The legislature
8 further finds that it is important to provide additional
9 personnel and resources to facilitate prosecution of insurance
10 fraud.

11 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to increase
12 staffing of the insurance fraud investigations unit of the
13 department of commerce and consumer affairs to combat insurance
14 fraud.

15 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the compliance
16 resolution fund of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or
17 so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008,
18 and the same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for



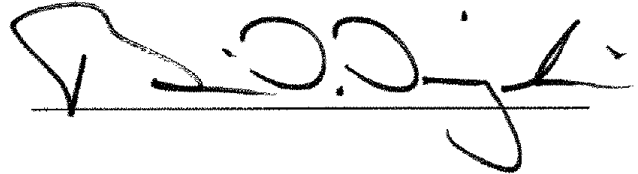
1 fiscal year 2008-2009, to provide additional personnel and
2 resources for the insurance fraud investigations unit of the
3 department of commerce and consumer affairs to prosecute
4 insurance fraud.

5 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
6 of consumer affairs for the purposes of this Act.

7 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Insurance Fraud Investigations Unit

Description:

Provides funds for the insurance fraud investigations unit to increase staff to prosecute insurance fraud more effectively.

