

1 department of business, economic development, and tourism, in
2 its latest estimates, anticipates a twelve per cent decrease in
3 total visitor arrivals, as compared to April of last year.

4 Clearly, these are difficult economic times. Hawaii's
5 economy has slowed substantially, and the State's expenditure of
6 temporary assistance for needy family funds must not only
7 account for this economic slowdown, but maintain reserves in
8 anticipation of a continued financial slump.

9 The legislature finds that the best approach is to continue
10 supplying essential health, education, employment, and economic
11 assistance while preserving an adequate reserve of funds. While
12 maintaining cash reserves for future expenditures is imperative,
13 so too is the continued provision of necessary support programs.
14 Such programs will yield healthier families, more productive
15 employees, and eventually, a stronger economy.

16 PART II

17 SECTION 2. The legislature finds that it is imperative to
18 continue providing monthly cash benefits to families for food,
19 clothing, shelter, and other essential items. Monthly cash
20 benefits are not only imperative for a family's survival, but
21 also act as a stimulus to the local economy when spent by
22 recipients at local retail outlets.



1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the federal
2 temporary assistance for needy families funds the sum of
3 \$34,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
4 year 2009-2010 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be
5 necessary for fiscal year 2010-2011 to provide monthly cash
6 benefits to eligible families, and for associated eligibility
7 determination costs.

8 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
9 of human services for the purposes of this part.

10 PART III

11 SECTION 4. The legislature finds that a state's economy
12 depends upon its human capital. Having a self-sufficient,
13 dependable, and strong workforce is imperative to a robust
14 economy. Programs that train individuals for jobs, help with
15 job-search activities, and encourage financial self-sufficiency
16 result in a better-developed workforce and less strain on
17 support services and benefit programs.

18 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the federal
19 temporary assistance for needy families funds the sum of
20 \$26,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
21 year 2009-2010 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be
22 necessary for fiscal year 2010-2011 for obtaining job training



1 contracts and providing related support services for temporary
2 assistance for needy families and temporary assistance for other
3 needy families recipients.

4 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
5 of human services for the purposes of this part.

6 PART IV

7 SECTION 6. The legislature finds that Hawaii has the
8 twelfth highest teenage pregnancy rate in the nation. Young
9 women who become pregnant before the age of eighteen have a
10 higher risk of poverty, dropping out of high school, and
11 experiencing preterm births. The department of human services
12 contracted with The Lewin Group to determine the effectiveness
13 of teenage pregnancy education programs provided under temporary
14 assistance to needy families grants. The report found a
15 positive impact on program participants, and the state's general
16 trend is a decrease in teenage pregnancy rates.

17 The legislature finds that it is necessary for the
18 well-being of Hawaii's youth to educate them about the effects
19 of teenage pregnancy and the importance of educated decision-
20 making through programs funded by the temporary assistance for
21 needy families.



1 SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of federal temporary
2 assistance for needy families funds the sum of \$12,000,000 or so
3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and
4 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
5 year 2010-2011 for programs to prevent and reduce the incidence
6 of out-of-wedlock pregnancies and encourage the formation and
7 maintenance of two-parent families.

8 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
9 of human services for the purposes of this part.

10 PART V

11 SECTION 8. The legislature finds that it is important for
12 a family's emotional and economic well-being to maintain the
13 family unit. This can be achieved when families are provided
14 with the resources and education they need to be self-sufficient
15 and stable.

16 SECTION 9. There is appropriated out of the federal
17 temporary assistance for needy families program funds the sum of
18 \$7,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
19 year 2009-2010 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be
20 necessary for fiscal year 2010-2011 for purchase of service
21 contracts for child welfare services.



1 SECTION 12. There is appropriated out of the federal
2 temporary assistance for needy families funds the sum of
3 \$9,890,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
4 year 2009-2010 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be
5 necessary for fiscal year 2010-2011 to be transferred to the
6 social services block grant.

7 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
8 of human services for the purposes of this part.

9 SECTION 13. There is appropriated out of the federal
10 temporary assistance for needy families funds the sum of
11 \$5,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
12 year 2009-2010 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be
13 necessary for fiscal year 2010-2011 for information systems
14 costs related to the temporary assistance for needy families
15 program.

16 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
17 of human services for the purposes of this part.

18 SECTION 14. There is appropriated out of the federal
19 temporary assistance for needy families funds the sum of
20 \$9,500,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
21 year 2009-2010 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be
22 necessary for fiscal year 2010-2011 for the costs of



1 administering the temporary assistance for needy families
2 program.

3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
4 of human services for the purposes of this part.

5 PART VII

6 SECTION 15. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.



Report Title:

TANF Funds; Allocation of Expenditures

Description:

Details how the legislature will spend TANF funds, emphasizing child care services, job training and related support services, the prevention of out-of-wedlock pregnancies, the purchase of service contracts for child welfare services, information system maintenance, and administration costs. Transfers portions of TANF funds to the social services block grant and child care development fund. (HB739 HD1)

