



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 families 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 \$ or  
3 so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010  
4 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for  
5 fiscal year 2010-2011 to provide monthly cash benefits to  
6 eligible families, and for associated eligibility determination  
7 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 \$ or  
20 so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010  
21 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for  
22 fiscal year 2010-2011 for obtaining job training contracts and



1 providing related support services for temporary assistance for  
2 needy families and temporary assistance for other needy families  
3 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 for 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 program moneys.



1 SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of federal temporary  
2 assistance for needy families funds the sum of \$ or so much  
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and the  
4 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
5 2010-2011 for programs to prevent and reduce the incidence of  
6 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 \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-  
19 2010 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for  
20 fiscal year 2010-2011 to purchase service contracts for child  
21 welfare services.





1 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for  
2 fiscal year 2010-2011 to be transferred to social services block  
3 grant programs.

4 SECTION 13. There is appropriated out of the federal  
5 temporary assistance for needy families funds the sum of \$ or  
6 so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010  
7 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for  
8 fiscal year 2010-2011 for information systems costs related to  
9 the temporary assistance for needy families program.

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

16 SECTION 15. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the  
17 department of human services for the purposes of this part.

18 PART VII

19 SECTION 15. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



**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 social services block grant programs and child care development fund. (HB739 HD2)

