
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. On January 5, 2012, Hawaii Medical Center's
2 Transplant Institute of the Pacific, the only bone marrow
3 transplant center in Hawaii, closed. Some critical patients
4 scheduled for bone marrow transplants found their procedures
5 canceled and a potentially life-threatening situation
6 confronting them. Although the patients rescheduled their
7 procedures and surgeries at mainland hospitals, their private
8 insurance and medicare did not pay for travel and lodging
9 expenses.

10 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate \$500,000 subject
11 to a dollar-for-dollar match in private funds, for Hawaii
12 Pacific Health to establish a bone marrow transplant program in
13 Hawaii.

14 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much
16 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 as a grant
17 subject to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for Hawaii
18 Pacific Health to establish a bone marrow transplant center in



1 Hawaii; provided that these funds shall not be expended for any
2 other purpose; provided further that these funds shall not be
3 expended unless matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis by private
4 funds.

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

7 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.



Report Title:

Bone Marrow Transplant Center; Hawaii Pacific Health; Matching Funds; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds, subject to a dollar-for-dollar match in private funds, as a grant subject to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for Hawaii Pacific Health to establish a bone marrow transplant center in Hawaii. Effective July 1, 2012. (HB1952 HD1)

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