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S.B. NO. 896

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HOMELESS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 346, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§346- Homeless job training programs. (a) The
5 department shall develop and implement a homeless job training
6 program, as described in this section and as the department
7 deems appropriate. The program shall provide education,
8 vocational training, work experience programs, employability and
9 life-skills training, and residential support services that will
10 best contribute to homeless participants' opportunities for
11 permanent long-term employment.

12 (b) The program may include the following elements:

13 (1) Housing on-site of the training program;

14 (2) Incentives for the private sector to hire participants
15 with partial wage payments to be made to the employer
16 through the State; and

17 (3) Opportunities for participants to earn wages by
18 contributing to public projects by performing labor or



1 services like parks clean-up, landscaping, janitorial,
2 or other labor or services for the benefit of the
3 State.

4 (c) The program shall require that wages earned by a
5 participant be deposited in an account and held in trust for the
6 participant. At the end of the participant's participation in
7 the program, the accumulated funds shall be used for first month
8 and last month's rent and security deposit for the participant's
9 use."

10 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
12 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-2012 and
13 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
14 year 2012-2013 for a homeless job training program.

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

17 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

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Report Title:

Homeless Job Training Program; DHS; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes a homeless job training program to be managed by the department of human services.

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