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NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

> The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim:

Transmitted herewith are proposed changes to the FB 2013-15 Biennium Budget for the Department of Budget and Finance (B&F).

Your favorable consideration is requested for the attached budget item and proviso:

- Adds \$25,000,000 in general funds for FY 14 to fund shortfalls in federal non-competitive grant amounts that are reduced in Federal Fiscal Year 2013 as the result of sequestration. This amount is included in the general fund financial plan but was not submitted as part of the FB 2013-15 Executive Budget.
- Adds a proviso to limit the use of the funds to address shortfalls in federal funding for non-competitive funds in Federal Fiscal Year 2013 by allowing B&F to transfer up to a total of \$25,000,000 to the affected department(s) and providing that the Legislature be notified of each transfer to the affected department(s) within ten days of the transfer.

Your staff may contact the appropriate agency for additional information. Your understanding and assistance is appreciated.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE Governor, State of Hawaii

Attachment

c: Honorable David Y. Ige