
A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM FROM THE ENERGY SECURITY
SPECIAL FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for
2 immediate passage in accordance with section 9 of article VII of
3 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

4 SECTION 2. The purpose of this Act is to appropriate
5 \$145,000 in energy security special funds for an emergency
6 appropriation for fiscal year 2012-2013 to staff and support the
7 Hawaii refinery task force which is established to assess the
8 impacts to changes in Hawaii's refining capacity and to provide
9 advice and recommendations on matters involving Hawaii's future
10 fuels ecosystem. The task force will serve as the principal
11 advisory group to the governor, and to the legislature if so
12 requested, on the market disruptions facing the State associated
13 with changes in the State's refining capacity and ownership and
14 on specific measures, alternatives, and actions the State should
15 consider to maintain adequate and affordable fuel supplies to
16 meet the State's energy needs. With the impending closure of
17 Tesoro Hawaii's Kapolei refinery and the potential closure of



1 Hawaii's remaining Chevron refinery, the task force will help
2 the State plan and prepare for changes in Hawaii's refining
3 capacity.

4 The department of business, economic development, and
5 tourism has identified the need for an additional \$145,000 in
6 energy security special funds for fiscal year 2012-2013 to
7 support the task force in assessing these refinery issues,
8 including funding for coordination and operation of the task
9 force, studies and assessments, and funding for a staff
10 position. A vacancy currently exists within the department's
11 energy division as a result of budget control measures and will
12 be filled immediately to staff the task force. This emergency
13 funding will ensure that the Hawaii refinery task force will be
14 provided with appropriate support to meet its intended purposes
15 in fiscal year 2012-2013.

16 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the energy
17 security special fund the sum of \$145,000 or so much thereof as
18 may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 for the program on
19 environment and energy development (BED 120) to support the
20 Hawaii refinery task force.



1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
2 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
3 this Act.

4 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Emergency Appropriation; DBEDT; Hawaii Refinery Task Force

Description:

Makes an emergency appropriation of \$145,000 from the Energy Security Special Fund to staff and support the Hawaii Refinery Task Force. (HD1)

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