
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE DISASTER REVOLVING LOAN FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 209-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:
3 "§209-2 Governor's determination. (a) After the
4 occurrence of any sudden and extraordinary event which causes
5 losses and suffering, the governor shall make a determination as
6 to whether a state disaster has occurred and thereafter may
7 declare a state disaster for the entire State or any portion
8 thereof. In making this determination the governor shall
9 consider whether the effect on the health and living standards
10 of a substantial number of persons and the effect on the economy
11 of the State are of such a nature, as to warrant assistance from
12 the state government.
13 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the governor may make
14 a determination that a state disaster has occurred because of a
15 present or imminent reduction in force, relocation, or
16 mobilization of United States armed forces from the State. In
17 making such a determination, the governor shall consider whether



1 the reduction in force, relocation, or mobilization is likely to
2 disrupt employment or commerce or precipitate a change in the
3 level, quality, or quantity of services provided by the State to
4 any community within its jurisdiction or to the State as a
5 whole, and whether the disruption or precipitation is likely to
6 be of such magnitude as to warrant a disaster declaration. If
7 the governor issues a disaster declaration pursuant to this
8 subsection, the governor may authorize any or all of the relief
9 measures provided for in part III of this chapter.

10 This subsection shall apply to a reduction in force,
11 relocation, or mobilization that has actually occurred or has
12 been authorized by the United States Congress or the United
13 States Department of Defense, as applicable.

14 (c) The governor may, in [the] a proclamation issued
15 pursuant to subsection (a), designate the whole or any part of
16 the State eligible for the relief provided for in this chapter
17 and unless otherwise provided herein may authorize any or all of
18 the relief measures provided for in parts II, III, and IV of
19 this chapter."

20 SECTION 2. Section 209-26, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:



1 "(a) Except as otherwise provided, the director of
2 business, economic development, and tourism is designated as the
3 administrator responsible for the administration of this part.

4 The director shall:

5 (1) Administer loans for the purpose and according to this
6 part; and

7 (2) Adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this part[-];
8 provided that the director may adopt interim rules to implement
9 loans in the event the governor declares a state disaster
10 pursuant to section 209-2(b), without regard to notice and
11 public hearing requirements of section 91-3 or the small
12 business impact review requirements of chapter 201M; provided
13 further that any amendments of the interim rules shall be
14 subject to chapters 91 and 201M."

15 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 and the
18 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
19 2016-2017 to be deposited into the state disaster revolving loan
20 fund established pursuant to section 209-34, Hawaii Revised
21 Statutes.



1 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the state disaster
2 revolving loan fund the sum of \$ or so much thereof as
3 may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 and the same sum or
4 so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017
5 for loans made pursuant to chapter 209, part III, Hawaii Revised
6 Statutes.

7 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
8 of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes
9 of this Act.

10 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general
11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
12 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 and the
13 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
14 2016-2017 for the establishment of one full-time equivalent
15 (1.00 FTE) permanent program manager position in the department
16 of business, economic development, and tourism to administer the
17 state disaster loan program pursuant to this Act.

18 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
19 of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes
20 of this Act.



1 SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.



Report Title:

State Disaster Declaration; Military Force Reduction,
Relocation, or Mobilization; Loans; Appropriations

Description:

Authorizes loans from the State Disaster Revolving Loan Fund when the Governor declares a disaster due to a military force reduction, relocation, or mobilization. Allows DBEDT to adopt interim rules relating to disaster loans. Establishes a program manager position for the disaster loan program. (HB323 HD1)

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