

DEPT. COMM. NO. 253

REPORT TO THE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE STATE OF HAWAII 2019

PURSUANT TO SECTION 448B-10, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT THAT OUTLINES THE STATUS OF THE OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ASSURANCE DIETITIAN LICENSURE SPECIAL FUND, INCLUDING THE AMOUNT OF MONEYS DEPOSITED INTO AND EXPENDED FROM THE FUND, AND SOURCES OF RECEIPTS AND USES OF EXPENDITURES

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STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with Section 448B-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), the Department of Health is submitting a report to the 2019 Legislature that identifies the amount of moneys deposited into and expended from the Office of Health Care Assurance Dietitian Licensure Special Fund, and the sources of receipts and uses of expenditures.

Act 280, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2000, established the dietitian licensure special fund in order that moneys collected would be expended to assist in offsetting program expenses of the department. Act 229, on 6/27/2013 (Gov. Msg. No. 1332) amended the dietitian licensure special fund statute to identify an amount that may be expended and to establish a ceiling for the balance of the fund.

The current balance as of June 30, 2018, is \$55,264.20.

**REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE
IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 448B-10, HRS**

Introduction:

The Department of Health is committed to ensure the health, welfare and safety of all individuals receiving health care services in all settings in the State. In order to achieve this goal, the department has established minimal standards for dietitian licensure through a dietitian licensure program.

The dietitian licensure program was implemented in August 2012. Licenses are valid for three (3) years from date of issue and require a non-refundable fee of \$225. Currently, there are 149 licensed dietitians.

Licensure fees are required to be paid by the applicant in order to apply for and become licensed as a Hawaii licensed dietitian. The licensure fees are collected and deposited into the dietitian licensure special fund.

Conclusion:

The dietitian licensure special fund expenditure authorization and balance ceiling were established by Act 229, on 6/27/2013 (Gov. Msg. No. 1332). Licensure fees were collected beginning when the licensure program was implemented.

During state FY 2018, \$11,050.00 in licensure fees were collected and there were \$552.50 in expenditures. Below is the fund balance as of June 30, 2018.

Beginning Balance (July 1, 2017)	Revenues	Cash Transfer	Expenditures/ Encumbrances	Balance (June 30, 2018)
\$44,766.70	\$11,050.00	\$0.00	\$552.50	\$55,264.20