
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE BUDGET OF THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.

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

1 PART I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

2 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Act shall be known and may
3 be cited as the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Appropriations Act of
4 2019.

5 SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS. As used in this Act, unless the
6 context otherwise requires:

7 "Means of financing" or "MOF" means the source from which
8 funds are appropriated or authorized to be expended for the
9 programs and projects specified in this Act. All appropriations
10 are followed by letter symbols. These letter symbols, where
11 used, shall mean the following:

12 A general funds

13 T trust funds

14 "Position ceiling" means the maximum number of permanent
15 and temporary full-time equivalent positions authorized for a
16 particular program during a specified period or periods, as
17 denoted by an asterisk (*) for permanent full-time equivalent



1 positions and a pound sign (#) for temporary full-time
2 equivalent positions.

3 "Program ID" means the unique identifier for the specific
4 program and consists of OHA, the abbreviation for the office of
5 Hawaiian affairs, followed by the organization number for the
6 program.

7 PART II. PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS

8 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS. The following sums, or so much
9 thereof as may be sufficient to accomplish the purposes and
10 programs designated herein, are appropriated or authorized from
11 the means of financing specified to the office of Hawaiian
12 affairs for the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and
13 ending June 30, 2021. The total expenditures and the number of
14 positions in each fiscal year of the biennium shall not exceed
15 the sums and the numbers indicated for each fiscal year, except
16 as provided elsewhere in this Act, or as provided by general
17 law.

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PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS

ITEM NO.	PROG. ID.	PROGRAM	EXPENDING AGENCY	APPROPRIATIONS			
				FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020	M O F	FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021	M O F

2 Hawaiian Affairs

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4 OHA150 - OFFICE OF THE TRUSTEES

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7 OPERATING OHA

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12 OHA160 - ADMINISTRATION

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19 OHA175 - BENEFICIARY ADVOCACY

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22 OPERATING OHA

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1 PART III. PROGRAM PROVISIONS

2 SECTION 4. Provided that the general fund appropriations
3 in part II of this Act shall be expended by the office of
4 Hawaiian affairs.

5 SECTION 5. Provided that of the funds appropriated for
6 beneficiary advocacy (OHA175), the sum of \$ in general
7 funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year 2019-2020
8 and the same sums for fiscal year 2020-2021 shall be expended to
9 provide for social services, including referral services and
10 case management, to at-risk office of Hawaiian affairs
11 beneficiaries to immediately address unexpected crises; provided
12 further that program activities shall be designed with an
13 overall objective to provide financial assistance to improve
14 stability during emergency situations; and provided further that
15 notwithstanding section 10-17(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes, any
16 funds expended for the purposes of this section shall be in
17 accordance with chapter 103D or 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
18 or a competitive grants process, as appropriate.

19 SECTION 6. Provided that of the funds appropriated for
20 beneficiary advocacy (OHA175), the sum of \$ in general
21 funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year 2019-2020



1 and the same sums for fiscal year 2020-2021 shall be expended to
 2 provide for educational improvement programs for native Hawaiian
 3 students; provided further that program activities shall be
 4 designed to help native Hawaiian students succeed academically;
 5 and provided further that notwithstanding section 10-17(e),
 6 Hawaii Revised Statutes, any expenditures for the purposes of
 7 this section shall be in accordance with chapter 103D or 103F,
 8 Hawaii Revised Statutes, or a competitive grants process, as
 9 appropriate.

10 SECTION 7. Provided that of the funds appropriated for
 11 beneficiary advocacy (OHA175), the sum of \$ in general
 12 funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year 2019-2020
 13 and the same sums for fiscal year 2020-2021 shall be expended to
 14 provide for legal services and legal representation to office of
 15 Hawaiian affairs beneficiaries for:

- 16 (1) The assertion and defense of quiet title actions;
- 17 (2) Assistance with ahupuaa and kuleana tenant rights,
 18 including rights of access and rights to water;
- 19 (3) Land title assistance, including review of title and
 20 genealogy;
- 21 (4) Preservation of traditional and customary practices;



1 (5) Protection of culturally significant places; and

2 (6) Preservation of native Hawaiian land trust

3 entitlements;

4 provided further that notwithstanding section 10-17(e), Hawaii

5 Revised Statutes, any funds expended for the purposes of this

6 section shall be made in accordance with chapter 103D or 103F,

7 Hawaii Revised Statutes, as appropriate.

8 SECTION 8. Provided that of the funds appropriated for

9 beneficiary advocacy (OHA 175), the sum of \$ in

10 general funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year

11 2019-2020 and the same sums for fiscal year 2020-2021 shall

12 provide for housing improvement programs to assist native

13 Hawaiians, including those that are homeless, at-risk of

14 homelessness, in transitional housing, in unstable or

15 unaffordable rentals, or in pursuit of homeownership, to

16 increase their capacity to attain housing stability. Programs

17 shall be designed with an overall objective to address barriers

18 that hinder native Hawaiians from obtaining stable housing;

19 provided that notwithstanding section 10-17(e), Hawaii Revised

20 Statutes, any funds expended for the purposes of this section



1 shall be in accordance with chapter 103D or 103F, Hawaii Revised
2 Statutes, or a competitive grants process, as appropriate.

3 PART IV. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND EFFECTIVE DATE

4 SECTION 9. Provided that whenever necessary, the board of
5 trustees of the office of Hawaiian affairs or the board's
6 designee may transfer sufficient funds and positions between
7 programs for operating purposes; provided further that these
8 transfers shall be consistent with legislative intent; and
9 provided further that the office of Hawaiian affairs shall
10 submit a report to the legislature of all uses of this authority
11 for the previous twelve month period from December 1 to
12 November 30, no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
13 the regular sessions of 2020 and 2021.

14 SECTION 10. If any provision of this Act, or the
15 application thereto to any person or circumstance, is held
16 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
17 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the
18 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions
19 of this Act are severable. If any portion of a specific
20 appropriation is held to be invalid for any reason, the



1 remaining portion shall be expended to fulfill the objective of
2 that appropriation to the extent possible.

3 SECTION 11. In the event manifest clerical, typographical,
4 or other mechanical errors are found in this Act, the board of
5 trustees of the office of Hawaiian affairs is authorized to
6 correct these errors. All changes made pursuant to this section
7 shall be reported to the legislature at its next session.

8 SECTION 12. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.



Report Title:

OHA Package; State Budget; Program Appropriations; Operating Costs; OHA150; OHA160; OHA175

Description:

Appropriates funds for Fiscal Biennium 2019-2021 for operations of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs divisions. Includes operating budgets for Office of Trustees - OHA150; Administration - OHA160; and Beneficiary Advocacy - OHA175. (SD1)

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