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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the existence of  
2 organized crime is a contributing factor to the recent wave of  
3 property and violent crimes on Oahu. Law enforcement agencies  
4 need better tools to identify, investigate, arrest, and  
5 prosecute members of organized crime groups. The legislature  
6 also finds that the department of the attorney general has an  
7 organized crime unit that exists in name, but no actual staff  
8 with which to operate the unit. The purpose of the unit is to  
9 develop tactical and strategic intelligence, assist in  
10 controlling the spread of organized crime activity, and provide  
11 technical assistance to county law enforcement agencies in the  
12 detection and prosecution of organized crime activities.

13           The purpose of this Act is to provide funding for needed  
14 positions to operate the department of the attorney general's  
15 organized crime unit.

16           SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$                    or so.



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1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for  
 2 two full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) deputy attorney general  
 3 positions, four full-time equivalent (4.0 FTE) investigator  
 4 positions, and two full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) service  
 5 coordinator positions for the organized crime unit of the  
 6 department of the attorney general.

7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
 8 the attorney general for the purposes of this Act.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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**Report Title:**

AG; Organized Crime Unit; Appropriation

**Description:**

Appropriate funds for staff positions in the Department of the Attorney General's organized crime unit.

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