#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2021 STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO. <sup>963</sup> H.D. 1

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR RELATING TO COVID-19 EXPENDITURES.

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

1 This Act is recommended by the governor for SECTION 1. 2 immediate passage in accordance with article VII, section 9, of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii. 3 4 SECTION 2. The legislature finds that the impact of the SARS-CoV-2 virus and resulting coronavirus disease 2019 5 (COVID-19) has been devastating to global, national, and state 6 economies. 7 8 The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act 9 (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, was enacted on March 27, 2020, to address the extensive health and economic fallout of the 10 11 COVID-19 pandemic and provided federal funds to support the State's COVID-19 relief efforts. With the expiration of federal 12 CARES Act funds, the State finds that additional funds are 13 needed to continue funding critical COVID-19 response programs 14 and activities for the remainder of fiscal year 2020-2021. 15

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1	Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
2	funds for COVID-19 response activities and provide transparency
3	and accountability for the use of those funds.
4	SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
5	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
6	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 to be used
7	as a contingency fund by the office of the governor to
8	supplement the continuation of COVID-19 response related
9	programs and activities.
10	The sum appropriated shall be expended by the office of the
11	governor for the purposes of this Act.
12	SECTION 4. The governor is authorized to transfer funds
13	appropriated by this Act among all executive agencies as may be
14	deemed necessary; provided that the governor is authorized to
15	transfer funds in excess of what is needed for each expending
16	agency from other emergency appropriation acts relating to
17	COVID-19 expenditures for fiscal year 2020-2021 to the
18	contingency fund as deemed necessary by the governor for the
19	purposes of this Act.

20 SECTION 5. Should any project or program paid for by state
21 funds under this Act later become eligible for federal



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reimbursement, the federal reimbursement funds shall be
 deposited into the general fund.
 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050;
 provided that all funds appropriated pursuant to this Act that
 are unallotted or unencumbered shall lapse as of June 30, 2022.



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#### Report Title:

Emergency Appropriations Relating to COVID-19 Expenditures; Federal Reimbursement

### Description:

Provides an emergency appropriation to the Office of the Governor in fiscal year 2020-2021 to continue funding for various COVID-19 response related programs and activities. Requires that should any project or program paid for by state funds become eligible for federal reimbursement, those federal funds shall be deposited into the general fund. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)

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