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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY.

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

SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for
immediate passage in accordance with section 9 of article VII of
the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

4 SECTION 2. The legislature finds that social and economic 5 impact of the SARS-CoV-2 virus and the associated coronavirus 6 disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic on the State of Hawaii has been 7 devastating. For the health and safety of the general public, 8 all public gathering places were closed in March 2020 to slow the spread of COVID-19. This necessary closure of public 9 gathering places included sporting and entertainment events at 10 11 Aloha Stadium as well as its iconic Aloha Stadium swap meet and 12 marketplace. As a result of the public gathering shutdown, 13 Aloha Stadium could no longer generate revenue and is projecting 14 to exhaust its cash balance before June 30, 2021.

15 The legislature also finds that to continue to minimally16 maintain the operational use of Aloha Stadium, it is imperative



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1 that the stadium receive a general fund cash appropriation or 2 infusion of \$1,500,000 to complete fiscal year 2020-2021 and to 3 provide sufficient cash to begin the next fiscal year. In 4 anticipation of a cash shortfall, the stadium immediately 5 furloughed its hourly workers and adjusted its maintenance and 6 other event-related contracts, where reasonably and prudently 7 possible.

8 The purpose of this Act is to provide an emergency 9 appropriation of general funds to allow Aloha Stadium to 10 continue to operate and maintain the facility in a safe 11 condition for the general public.

12 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general 13 revenues of the State of Hawaii, the sum of \$1,500,000 or so 14 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 to be 15 deposited into the stadium special fund created pursuant to 16 section 109-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for payroll and other current expenses, including current operating and maintenance 17 18 expenses necessary to maintain the facility in a safe condition 19 for the general public.



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The sum appropriated shall be expended by the stadium
authority for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



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**Report Title:** Emergency Appropriation; Stadium Authority

### Description:

Makes an emergency appropriation to provide funds for the Stadium Authority for payroll and other expenses. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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