A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RELATING TO COVID-19 EXPENDITURES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for
- 2 immediate passage in accordance with section 9 of article VII of
- 3 the constitution of the State of Hawaii.
- 4 SECTION 2. The impact of the SARS-CoV-2 virus and
- 5 resulting coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) has been
- 6 devastating to global, national, and state economies.
- 7 The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
- 8 (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, was enacted on March 27, 2020,
- 9 to address the extensive health and economic fallout of the
- 10 COVID-19 pandemic and provided federal funds to support the
- 11 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 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
- 16 funds for the purpose of COVID-19 response activities and



- 1 provide transparency and accountability for the use of those
- 2 funds.
- 3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for
- 6 statewide COVID-19 related medical surge staffing.
- 7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 8 health for the purposes of this Act.
- 9 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
- 10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 11 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for
- 12 implementation and administration of vaccine and immunization
- 13 plans and logistics to include warehousing and distributing
- 14 vaccines and supplies, creating temporary immunization sites and
- 15 clinics, communicating vaccine education, and associated
- 16 operational costs.
- 17 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 18 health for the purposes of this Act; provided that the governor
- 19 is authorized to transfer funds appropriated by this Act among
- 20 all executive agencies as may be deemed necessary; and provided
- 21 further that the governor is authorized to transfer funds in

- 1 excess of what is needed for the department of health to the
- 2 governor's contingency fund as deemed necessary by the governor
- 3 for the purposes of this Act.
- 4 SECTION 5. Any provision of this Act to the contrary
- 5 notwithstanding, the appropriations authorized under this Act
- 6 shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the
- 7 appropriation is made. Any unexpended and unencumbered balance
- 8 of the appropriation made in this Act as of the close of
- 9 business on June 30, 2022, shall lapse.
- 10 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

Emergency Appropriations Relating to COVID-19 Expenditures

Description:

Provides emergency appropriations in fiscal year 2020-2021 to the Department of Health to continue funding for various COVID-19 response related programs and activities. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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