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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that legal services are 2 often prohibitively expensive for low- and moderate- income 3 persons. The legislature further finds that several nonprofit 4 and volunteer organizations in the State provide quality legal 5 services to persons who require services but lack the resources to pay for them. While these organizations generally function 6 7 on a volunteer or not-for-profit basis, they still require 8 funding for operating costs and other expenses.

9 The purpose of this Act is to support these nonprofit and 10 volunteer organizations by appropriating funds for the judiciary 11 to purchase civil legal services for low- and moderate- income 12 persons.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for the purchase of civil legal services for low- and moderate- income persons.



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

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



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Description: Appropriates moneys for the Judiciary to purchase civil legal services for low- and moderate- income persons. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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