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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIRST RESPONDERS.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 321, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to part XVIII to be  
3 appropriately designated and to read as follows:  
4           "§321-           First responder personnel; mandates; counties;  
5 shared cost. Pursuant to article VIII, section 5, of the Hawaii  
6 State Constitution, if the legislature mandates any new program  
7 or increase in the level of service under an existing program by  
8 first responder personnel employed by the counties, including  
9 but not limited to enhanced requirements for enforcement or  
10 mandatory increased support, the legislature shall also provide  
11 funding for the State's share of the cost of fulfilling the  
12 mandate."

13           SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

14           SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: 

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# H.B. NO. 1571

**Report Title:**

First Responder Personnel; Funding Mandates; Counties; Shared Cost

**Description:**

Requires the State to share in the cost of county first responder personnel fulfilling state-imposed new mandates or increases in the level of service under existing programs.

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