
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to appropriate
2 moneys to the university of Hawaii for a multiethnic cohort
3 study and registry on the health effects of the devastating 2023
4 Maui wildfires. This Act is a matter of statewide concern as it
5 will provide the State, local organizations, and policymakers
6 with critical information and data needed to address imminent
7 community needs, inform the long-term recovery process, and
8 support better planning for future disaster preparedness.

9 SECTION 2. 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 2024-2025 for
12 the university of Hawaii economic research organization for the
13 following:

14 (1) \$ to conduct a multiethnic cohort study on
15 the health effects of the 2023 Maui wildfires; and

16 (2) \$ to develop and maintain of a registry of
17 those affected by the wildfires to assess their long-



1 term health and well-being and the impacts on
2 communities.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the university of
4 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. The university of Hawaii shall seek federal and
6 community funding, in addition to the funds appropriated by this
7 Act, to complete the multiethnic cohort study and registry
8 pursuant to sections 2 of this Act.

9 SECTION 4. In accordance with section 9 of article VII, of
10 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and sections 37-91 and
11 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined
12 that the appropriation contained in this Act will cause the
13 state general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025
14 to be exceeded by or per cent. The reasons for
15 exceeding the general fund expenditure ceiling are that the
16 appropriation made in this Act is necessary to serve the public
17 interest and to meet the need provided for by this Act.

18 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

UH; UHERO; Multiethnic Cohort Study; Health Effects; Maui
Wildfires; Appropriation; Expenditure Ceiling

Description:

Appropriates moneys for the University of Hawaii to conduct a
multiethnic cohort study and registry regarding the health
effects of the 2023 Maui wildfires. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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