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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOBILE VACCINATIONS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that vaccines are a  
2 critical intervention that dramatically decreases the health  
3 impacts of influenza, coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19),  
4 respiratory syncytial virus, and other viruses that affect the  
5 general population. Studies have demonstrated the tremendous  
6 importance of vaccines in both reducing the severity of illness  
7 as well as the transmission of disease. During the COVID-19  
8 pandemic, federal funding from the Federal Emergency Management  
9 Agency allowed for the deployment of mobile vaccination units to  
10 populations who had limited access to health care facilities or  
11 pharmacies providing the vaccine and who were unable to be  
12 transported to vaccination centers. These mobile vaccination  
13 units were highly successful in increasing vaccination rates and  
14 reducing the spread of COVID-19 and influenza during the  
15 pandemic.

16           The legislature further finds that to reduce the burden on  
17 hospitals and medical facilities, the State should continue to



1 support community vaccination efforts, particularly for  
2 vulnerable populations with reduced access to vaccines.

3 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the  
4 department of health for mobile vaccination services for  
5 populations with reduced access to vaccines.

6 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
8 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for  
9 mobile vaccination services for populations with reduced access  
10 to vaccines.

11 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
12 health for the purposes of this Act.

13 SECTION 3. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of  
14 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,  
15 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the  
16 appropriations contained in H.B. No. , will cause the state  
17 general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be  
18 exceeded by \$ or per cent. In addition, the  
19 appropriation contained in this Act will cause the general fund  
20 expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be further  
21 exceeded by \$ or per cent. The combined total



1 amount of general fund appropriations contained in only these  
2 two Acts will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling  
3 for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by  
4 \$                    or                    per cent. The reasons for exceeding the  
5 general fund expenditure ceiling are that:

- 6        (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to  
7                serve the public interest; and
- 8        (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs  
9                addressed by this Act.

10        SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



**Report Title:**

DOH; Mobile Vaccination Services; Appropriation; Expenditure Ceiling

**Description:**

Appropriates funds to the Department of Health for mobile vaccination services for populations with reduced access to vaccines. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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