## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the current special
- 2 fund ceiling for the mass transit special fund has produced
- 3 carry-over balances, impacting the use of funds by the
- 4 department of budget and finance in the subsequent fiscal year.
- 5 The legislature further finds that in fiscal year
- **6** 2022-2023, there was a carry-over balance of \$95,877,228 from
- 7 fiscal year 2021-2022. The department of budget and finance was
- 8 unable to disburse the available moneys in fiscal year
- 9 2022-2023, leading to a carry-over balance in fiscal year
- 10 2023-2024. Based on the special fund carry-over balance of
- 11 \$123,756,991 from fiscal year 2022-2023, and estimated revenue
- 12 of \$410,240,000 for fiscal year 2023-2024, the department of
- 13 budget and finance anticipates another shortfall in the special
- 14 fund ceiling authorized by Act 88, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021,
- 15 as amended by Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022. In
- 16 anticipation of this shortfall, the department of budget and
- 17 finance received an emergency appropriation of \$179,000,000 for

- 1 the disbursement of funds by Act 23, Session Laws of Hawaii
- 2 2024.
- 3 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to increase the
- 4 special fund expenditure ceiling for the mass transit special
- 5 fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending
- 6 June 30, 2026.
- 7 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the mass transit
- **8** special fund the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be
- 9 necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 for making disbursements
- 10 pursuant to section 248-2.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes; provided
- 11 that no sums shall be disbursed until the director of budget and
- 12 finance determines that:
- 13 (1) The development of the minimum operating segment
- 14 identified in the Amended Full Funding Grant Agreement
- is completed; and
- 16 (2) The development of the Pearl Highlands park and ride
- facility is completed.
- 18 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 19 budget and finance for the purposes of this Act.
- 20 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

## Report Title:

BUF; Mass Transit Special Fund; State Projects; Expenditure Ceiling; Appropriation

## Description:

Appropriates moneys to the Department of Budget and Finance for fiscal year 2026 to increase the mass transit special fund expenditure ceiling. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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