

ACT 128

A Bill for an Act Amending Chapter 49 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 to Provide for Free Vaccination and Immunization for the Indigent and Medically Indigent, and Making an Appropriation Therefor.

Be it Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Chapter 49 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 is hereby amended by adding a new section to be appropriately numbered and to read as follows:

"Sec. 49- . Immunization of indigent and medically indigent. The department of health shall provide for free immunization and vaccination for the indigent and medically indigent for their protection against the types of diseases which in the discretion of the director of the department of health would be inimical to the health and lives of those who may contract such diseases including but not limited to smallpox, diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, polio, typhoid and against such other diseases for which vaccines have and will have been developed in the future. For the purpose of this section the term 'indigent' shall mean a person without adequate and proper means of subsistence, for the support of whom the department of social services is liable or responsible. The term 'medically indigent' shall mean a person otherwise able to subsist himself, but who in the emergency of sickness is not able to care for the extra expenses necessary to maintain or restore health."

SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$13,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes herein specified by the department of health.

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