

ACT 336

H.B. NO. 3558

A Bill for an Act Relating to Claims Involving the State.

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

SECTION 1. Section 662-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“**§662-11 Compromise.** The attorney general, with the approval of the court, may arbitrate, compromise, or settle any claim cognizable under this chapter, after commencement of an action thereon; provided that the attorney general may arbitrate, compromise, or settle claims for [\$2,000] \$10,000 or less without the necessity of court approval or the commencement of an action. The attorney general shall prepare, for each fiscal year, a report of all claims arbitrated, compromised, or settled for [\$2,000] \$10,000 or less. The report shall be submitted to the legislature twenty days prior to the commencement of the regular session next succeeding the year for which the report is made.”

SECTION 2. This Act does not and shall not be construed to change the extent of the State's sovereign immunity.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$150,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for fiscal year 1988-89 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of attorney general.

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1988.

(Approved June 13, 1988.)