

A Bill for an Act Relating to Disasters.

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

SECTION 1. Section 127-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§127-11 Major disaster fund. The director shall submit requests to the legislature to appropriate from the general revenues of the State sufficient moneys as may be necessary for expenditure by or under the direction of the governor for immediate relief in the event of the occurrence of any major disaster in any part of the State; provided that:

- (1) [the] The governor may not expend in excess of [\$750,000] \$1,000,000 for immediate relief of any single major disaster[.]; and
- (2) Provided further that in addition to the funds in paragraph (1), an additional \$1,000,000 shall be available solely for the purpose of matching federal disaster relief funds when these funds become available following a presidential disaster declaration.

In expending the moneys, the governor may allot any portion thereof to any agency, office, or employee, federal, state, or county, for the more speedy and efficient relief of the conditions created by the disasters. The governor may determine whether a major disaster contemplated by this section has occurred, and any determination shall be conclusive."

SECTION 2. In accordance with Section 9 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and sections 37-91 and 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the appropriation contained in this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 1989-1990 to be exceeded by \$1,500,000, or 0.064 per cent. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure ceiling are that the appropriation made in this Act is necessary to serve the public interest and to meet the need provided for by this Act.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,500,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1989-1990, and the sum of \$1,500,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1990-1991, to carry out the purposes of this Act. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department of defense.

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.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

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1989.

(Approved June 7, 1989.)