

**ACT 73**

H.B. NO. 3454

A Bill for an Act Making Emergency Appropriations for Child Foster Care Payments.

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

SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for immediate passage in accordance with Section 9 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

SECTION 2. Act 218, Session Laws of Hawaii 1995, appropriated a certain designated sum to the department of human services to provide funds for child foster care payments under the family and adult services division for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 1995, and ending June 30, 1996.

A critical funding emergency exists. The foster care payment program will expend all appropriated funds before the end of the current fiscal year and the department will be unable to meet its fiscal obligation to provide foster board and board-related costs for children needing out-of-home care.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the federal funds of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$880,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1995-1996, to be used for board and board-related costs for children in foster care.

SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of human services for the purposes of this Act. Any unexpended or unencumbered balances of any appropriation made by this Act as of the close of business on June 30, 1996 shall lapse into the appropriate fund.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 9, 1996.)