

ACT 268

S.B NO. 2499

A Bill for an Act Making an Appropriation to the Legislative Agencies.

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

SECTION 1. This Act corrects a technical drafting error in Act 138, Session Laws of Hawaii 1999. Act 138 appropriated funds to the legislative agencies for salary increases and other cost adjustments authorized by chapter 89C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for officers and employees of these agencies excluded from collective bargaining.

The appropriations under Act 138 were for fiscal years 1998-1999, 1999-2000, and 2000-2001. Since Act 138 required the lapsing of funds within the fiscal year it was appropriated, the Act's effective date of July 1, 1999 precluded the expenditure of the 1998-1999 appropriations, which included adjustments commencing January 1, 1998. This Act corrects this inadvertent error.

This Act is also necessary to maintain parity with other state employees and is based on a settlement for a two-year collectively bargained agreement with the exclusive representative of bargaining units 3, 4, and 13.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii to the legislative agencies indicated below the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary, to fund the retroactive salary increases and other cost adjustments for fiscal years 1998-1999, which includes cost adjustments commencing January 1, 1998, authorized by chapter 89C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for officers and employees of these agencies excluded from collective bargaining:

Office of the Auditor	\$65,633
Ethics Commission	22,644
Legislative Reference Bureau	79,512
Ombudsman	34,321

SECTION 3. Funds appropriated by this Act that are not expended or encumbered by June 30, 2001, shall lapse as of that date. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the respective heads of the legislative agencies for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 20, 2000.)