

ACT 172

H.B. NO. 708

A Bill for an Act Relating to Public Safety.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 353C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§353C- Federal reimbursement maximization special fund. (a)

There is established in the state treasury the federal reimbursement maximization special fund, into which shall be deposited all federal reimbursements received by the department relating to the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program. Unless otherwise provided by law, all other receipts shall immediately be deposited to the credit of the general fund of the State.

(b) Moneys in the federal reimbursement maximization special fund shall be used by the department to meet the state match requirement for federal grants and costs associated with federal grant reporting requirements, including administrative expenses such as the creation and hiring of temporary staff; and for any other purpose deemed necessary by the department for maintaining existing federal grants as well as pursuing federal grants.

(c) The department shall prepare and submit an annual report on the status of the federal reimbursement maximization special fund to the legislature no later than twenty days before the convening of each regular session. The annual report shall include but not be limited to a description of the use of the funds.”

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the federal reimbursement maximization special fund the sum of \$693,832, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2001-2002, to the department of public safety to carry out the purposes of this Act.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of public safety.

SECTION 3. It is the intent of this Act not to jeopardize the receipt of any federal aid nor to impair the obligation of the State or any agency thereof to the holders of any bond issued by the State or by any such agency, and to the extent, and only to the extent, necessary to effectuate this intent, the governor need not enforce the strict provisions of this Act, but shall promptly report any such lack of enforcement with reasons therefore to the legislature at its next session thereafter for review by the legislature.

SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2001.

(Approved May 29, 2001.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.