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A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND INJURY PREVENTION SYSTEM BRANCH.

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. Although funds were appropriated to the department of health for emergency medical services for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008, a critical funding emergency now exists.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate an additional $1,807,539 in general funds for fiscal year 2007-2008 to pay for ambulance service contract collective bargaining costs. This emergency appropriation is necessary to comply with collective bargaining increases negotiated by the ambulance service provider for Oahu.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $1,807,539, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 to

comply with collective bargaining increases negotiated by the ambulance service provider for Oahu.

SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of health.

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

INTRODUCED BY: _____

BY REQUEST

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Report Title:
Emergency Appropriation for Emergency Medical Services

Description:
Makes an emergency appropriation for FY 2008 to pay for the City and County of Honolulu's collective bargaining costs relating to emergency medical services.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Health

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND INJURY PREVENTION SYSTEM BRANCH.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Act is to appropriate an additional $1,807,539 in general funds for fiscal year 2007-2008 to pay for ambulance service contract negotiated collective bargaining costs.

MEANS: Emergency appropriation of general funds.

JUSTIFICATION: This emergency appropriation is necessary to comply with collective bargaining increases negotiated by ambulance service provider on Oahu. The State provides emergency ambulance services on Oahu through contractual arrangement with the City and County of Honolulu. The City and County of Honolulu Emergency Services Department employs personnel who are represented by United Public Workers, Unit 1 and Unit 10, and Hawaii Government Employees Association Unit 3 and Unit 13 for collective bargaining.

A detailed analysis was done to determine additional collective bargaining costs for the City and County of Honolulu ambulance service contract. After negotiations, additional costs for the City and County of Honolulu were $1,807,539.

Historically, the State has recognized ambulance contract collective bargaining agreement costs as allowable costs for the provision of emergency ambulance services.

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Impact on the public: Continued availability of emergency ambulance services at the current level of service throughout Oahu.

Impact on the department and other agencies: This will allow the Department of Health to provide funding for the emergency ambulance contract for Oahu.

GENERAL FUND: $1,807,539 (fiscal year 2007-2008).

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM DESIGNATION: HTH-730.

OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES: City and County of Honolulu, Department of Budget and Finance.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.