H.B. NO. 3161

A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION.

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. This emergency appropriation is necessary to ensure that the Hawaii health systems corporation can pay for operation and provision of current levels of service at Leahi Hospital, Maluhia, Samuel Mahelona Memorial Hospital, Lana'i Community Hospital, Hilo Medical Center, Ka'u Hospital, Kona Community Hospital, and Kohala Hospital.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate $14,000,000 in general funds for fiscal year 2007-2008 to adjust accounts payable remittances to no more than forty-five days from the date of the invoice for Hawaii health systems corporation's facilities in order to bring current accounts payable balances that are due to essential vendors. This will allow delivery of goods and services to these facilities to continue on a timely basis so that the facilities will be able to maintain operations.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $14,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for fiscal year 2007-2008 to be used by the Hawaii health systems corporation to pay accounts payable within forty-five days from the date of the invoice for Hawaii health systems corporation's facilities.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii health systems corporation for the purposes of this Act.

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

INTRODUCED BY: Calvin K.Y. Say

BY REQUEST

JAN 22 2008

Report Title:
Emergency appropriation; Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

Description:
Appropriation of general funds for fiscal year 2007-2008 to pay current, essential vendors, reduce accounts payable, and allow operation and provision of current levels of service in Hawaii Health Systems Corporation's facilities.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT:	Health
TITLE:	A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION.
PURPOSE:	To provide emergency funding to the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to allow it to pay accounts payable within 45 days.
MEANS:	Emergency appropriation of general funds for the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation for fiscal year 2007-2008.
JUSTIFICATION:	The Hawaii Health Systems Corporation needs to be able to pay its vendors and service providers to ensure continuity of services. This request for an emergency appropriation is submitted to allow the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to pay accounts payable within 45 days. Impact on the public: This emergency appropriation will allow Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to continue to provide services necessary to meet community healthcare needs. Impact on the department and other agencies: None.
GENERAL FUND:	$14,000,000.
OTHER FUNDS:	None.
PPBS PROGRAM DESIGNATION:	HTH-210
OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES:	Department of Budget and Finance.
EFFECTIVE DATE:	Upon approval.