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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE  
CENTER.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State's aging  
2 and disability resource center is a navigational tool intended  
3 to streamline access to long-term supports and services for  
4 older adults, individuals with disabilities, and family  
5 caregivers. The legislature additionally finds that proper  
6 funding for the aging and disability resource center is  
7 essential to ensure the center is an effective single point of  
8 entry for individuals seeking information about appropriate  
9 long-term care options. Ensuring the availability of services  
10 once a consumer receives a referral, such as those offered  
11 through the kupuna care program, is also critical to the success  
12 of the aging and disability resource center.

13           The legislature notes that funding for the aging and  
14 disability resource center supports county area agencies on  
15 aging and allows the agencies to operate aging and disability  
16 resource centers within the counties. Funding for the aging and



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1 disability resource center will be used for the ongoing  
 2 implementation of a fully functional statewide aging and  
 3 disability resource center network to serve as a single entry  
 4 point for access to public long-term support programs and  
 5 benefits.

6 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the  
 7 aging and disability resource center.

8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,700,000 or so much  
 10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the  
 11 aging and disability resource center.

12 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
 13 health for the purposes of this Act.

14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.  
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**Report Title:**

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**Description:**

Appropriates funds for the Aging and Disability Resource Center.

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