
A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE HAWAII TOURISM
AUTHORITY RELATING TO COVID-19 EXPENDITURES.

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

1 SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for
2 immediate passage in accordance with article VII, section 9, of
3 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

4 SECTION 2. The impact of the "SARS-CoV-2" virus and
5 resulting "coronavirus disease 2019" (COVID-19) has been
6 devastating to global, national, and state economies.

7 The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
8 (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, was enacted on March 27, 2020,
9 to address the extensive health and economic fallout of the
10 COVID-19 pandemic and provided federal funds to support the
11 State's COVID-19 relief efforts. With the expiration of federal
12 CARES Act funds, the State finds that additional funds are
13 needed to continue funding critical COVID-19 response programs
14 and activities for the remainder of fiscal year 2020-2021.

15 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
16 funds for the purpose of COVID-19 response activities and



1 provide transparency and accountability for the use of those
2 funds.

3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$5,500,000 or so much
5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for the
6 Hawaii tourism authority within the department of business,
7 economic development, and tourism.

8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
9 tourism authority for the purposes of this Act.

10 SECTION 4. The governor is authorized to transfer funds
11 appropriated by this Act among all executive agencies as may be
12 deemed necessary; provided that the governor is authorized to
13 transfer funds in excess of what is needed for the Hawaii
14 tourism authority to the governor's contingency fund as deemed
15 necessary by the governor for the purposes of this Act.

16 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
17 provided that all funds appropriated pursuant to this Act that
18 are unallotted or unencumbered shall lapse on June 30, 2022.



H.B. NO. 914
H.D. 1

Report Title:

Emergency Appropriations; COVID-19 Expenditures; HTA

Description:

Provides an emergency appropriation in fiscal year 2020-2021 to the Hawaii tourism authority for COVID-19 response related programs and activities. (HD1)

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