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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HILO MEDICAL CENTER.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hilo medical  
2 center interventional cardiac program began service on  
3 January 1, 2019. Since July 1, 2019, interventional cardiac  
4 catheterization for the treatment of heart attacks has been  
5 available 24/7 for the residents of east Hawaii. In the last  
6 year, over forty heart attacks have been treated in the  
7 catheterization lab. An additional one hundred eighty-one  
8 patients were electively treated with stents for artery  
9 blockages, preventing future heart attacks. This high-quality  
10 program has maintained a mortality rate of 0.0075, which exceeds  
11 the standards of the American College of Cardiology.

12           The legislature further finds that from a financial  
13 perspective, the interventional cardiac program has allowed at  
14 least forty air intensive care unit medical transports to Oahu  
15 to be avoided, with an estimated \$1,700,000 in savings to the  
16 health care system. In the past five months of full operation,  
17 the cardiac catheterization program has earned \$4,100,000 in new



1 revenue, which is substantial evidence that this program will be  
2 self-supporting and sustainable over the long-term. The  
3 legislature is cautiously optimistic that the program may  
4 generate a profit.

5 The cardiac lab is now at full capacity and a second lab is  
6 needed to meet the demand for cardiac services in east Hawaii.  
7 An additional lab will also ensure availability of critical  
8 lifesaving equipment. The legislature notes that the need for a  
9 second lab was anticipated and the planning and design of a  
10 second lab have already been completed.

11 The purpose of this Act is appropriate funds for the  
12 equipment and construction of a second full-time catheterization  
13 laboratory at the Hilo medical center in the Hawaii health  
14 systems corporation east Hawaii region.

15 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$3,500,000 or so much  
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for  
18 equipment and construction of a second full-time catheterization  
19 laboratory at the Hilo medical center in the Hawaii health  
20 systems corporation east Hawaii region.



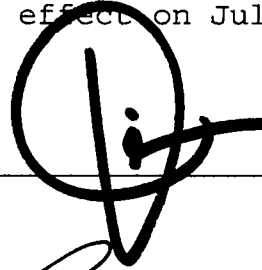
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1           The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii health  
2 systems corporation for the purposes of this Act.

3           SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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# S.B. NO. 2814

**Report Title:**

Catheterization Laboratory; Hilo Medical Center; Hawaii Health Systems Corporation; East Hawaii Region; Appropriation

**Description:**

Makes an appropriation for the equipment and construction of a second full-time catheterization laboratory at the Hilo medical center in the Hawaii health systems corporation east Hawaii region.

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