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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
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April 20, 2007

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on April 20, 2007, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1007

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY SELF-  
SUFFICIENCY.  
(ACT 030)

Sincerely,

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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the family self-  
2           sufficiency program allows public housing residents and holders  
3           of federal section 8 homeownership program rental vouchers to  
4           build savings in an escrow account to be used for the down  
5           payment on a home or other uses.

6           The purpose of this Act is to support homeownership by  
7           households receiving low-income housing assistance by exempting  
8           these family self-sufficiency escrow accounts from asset tests  
9           used to determine eligibility for public benefit programs  
10          administered by the department of human services.

11          SECTION 2. Chapter 346, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
12          amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately  
13          designated and to read as follows:

14          "§346-           Family self-sufficiency escrow accounts; asset  
15          test exemption.   Moneys within an escrow account established  
16          under the family self-sufficiency program of the United States  
17          Department of Housing and Urban Development shall be disregarded



1 when determining eligibility for assistance or other benefits  
 2 under this chapter."

3 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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APPROVED this 20 day of APR ,2007



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII