## A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE FOR THE HAIKU REGION OF MAUI.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the protection and 2 preservation of the health of Hawaii's people is a matter of 3 compelling state interest. Emergency ambulance services, 4 available twenty-four-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week, can help 5 reduce medical emergency deaths, injuries, and permanent longterm disability and are a key component of the state 6 7 comprehensive emergency medical services system. The Haiku 8 region of Maui is located at the northern tip of the island of 9 Maui and lacks twenty-four-hour, locally-based, advanced life **10** support ambulance service. The nearest ambulance service is 11 located in Makawao, which is forty-five minutes away and the 12 next closest is in Hana, a full ninety minutes away. Both wait 13 times are unacceptably long and endanger the health of residents
- The purpose of this Act is to ensure parity in emergency health care for residents and visitors of the Haiku region of

of the Haiku region of Maui.

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- 1 Maui by providing twenty-four-hour advanced life support
- 2 ambulance service.
- 3 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1 or so much thereof
- 5 as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 for twenty-four-
- 6 hour advanced life support ambulance service for the Haiku
- 7 district on the island of Maui.
- 8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 9 health for the purposes of this Act.
- 10 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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## Report Title:

Ambulance Service; Haiku, Maui; Appropriation

## Description:

Appropriates \$1 in FY 2006-2007 for ambulance service in the Haiku region of Maui. (HB2884 HD2)