

#### EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE

GOV. MSG. NO. **212** 

July 6, 2006

The Honorable Robert Bunda, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 003 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on July 6, 2006, the following bill was signed into law:

SB486 SD2 HD1 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILDREN AND YOUTH. (ACT 281)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

ACT 281

THE SENATE
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2006
STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. S.D. 2

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CHILDREN AND YOUTH.

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

- SECTION 1. The legislature finds that many children are on 1 their own in the mornings and afternoons before and after the 2 school bell rings. Nationally, nearly two-thirds of school-age 3 children are in homes with both parents working, yet very few 4 communities have a comprehensive system of before and 5 after-school care for children. While Hawaii is fortunate to 6 have the A+ program for students in grades K-6, older children 7 also need adult supervision. When older children are 8 unsupervised in the morning, afternoon, evening, weekend, and 9 holiday hours, statistics clearly show that rates of juvenile 10 crime, drug use, and experimentation with tobacco, alcohol, and 11 12 sex increase. The legislature further finds that there is widespread 13 agreement about the importance of establishing safe, structured 14 learning environments for children and youth during non-school 15 16 hours.
- The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for non-school hour programs for children and youth.

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- 1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$800,000, or so much
- 3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for non-
- 4 school hour programs for kindergarten through twelfth grades for
- 5 the department of education.
- 6 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 7 education for the purposes of this Act.
- 8 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$800,000, or so much
- 10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for the
- 11 office of youth services for non-school hour programs for
- 12 children and youth enrolled in school:
- 13 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 14 human services for the purposes of this Act.
- 15 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
- 16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$400,000, or so much
- 17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
- 18 non-school hour programs for children and youth enrolled in
- 19 school.
- The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 21 parks and recreation of each county, subject to the following
- 22 allocation percentages, which are based on the number of

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- 1 children eighteen years of age or younger residing in each
- 2 county; provided that no funds shall be disbursed unless each
- 3 county provides matching funds on a dollar for dollar basis:
- 4 (1) Seventy-one per cent, city and county of Honolulu;
- 5 (2) Thirteen per cent, county of Hawaii;
- 6 (3) Eleven per cent, county of Maui; and
- 7 (4) Five per cent, county of Kauai.
- 8 SECTION 5. Moneys allocated for the purposes of this Act
- 9 shall not reduce existing funding for non-school hour programs
- 10 and shall be awarded by the expending agencies only to non-
- 11 school hour programs that demonstrate a commitment to partnering
- 12 with the public and private sectors and involve youth as active
- 13 participants in all phases of program planning, implementation,
- 14 and evaluation. All programs that receive those moneys shall
- 15 meet each quarter with their community partners for the purposes
- 16 of program evaluation and improvement.
- 17 SECTION 6. The office of youth services, the department of
- 18 education, and the counties' parks and recreation departments
- 19 shall convene annually to share information on the best
- 20 practices and outcomes. The office of youth services shall
- 21 submit to the legislature an annual report on the programs
- 22 funded under this Act no later than twenty days prior to the

- 1 convening of each regular session, beginning with the regular
- 2 session of 2007.
- 3 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Approved this day: JUL - 6 2006

### THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

# THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

Speaker, House of Representative

Clerk, House of Representatives