A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

1 SECTION 1. The healthy aging project began in 2003, when 2 state and county aging network and public health programs joined 3 forces to improve the health of older adults through increased 4 physical activity and improved nutrition in local communities. 5 The long-term goal of the healthy aging project is to reduce 6 morbidity and premature mortality. 7 Although Hawaii's older adults are living longer, there is 8 a growing number who are facing chronic conditions and who are 9 not meeting recommended physical activity or nutritional 10 requirements. According to department of health surveillance 11 data, forty per cent of adults sixty years and older are 12 overweight, and over sixty per cent consume less than the 13 minimum daily requirement of five servings of fruits and 14 vegetables. 15 The healthy aging project's action plan is to continue to 16

The healthy aging project's action plan is to continue to provide technical assistance to partners across the State on evidence-based interventions, conduct statewide public awareness initiatives, expand local projects, and conduct an evaluation.

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1	The healthy aging project needs \$450,000 to accomplish these	
2	goals. The resources will be allocated as follows:	
3	1. Technical Assistance \$50,000)
4	2. Public Awareness \$100,000)
5	3. Local community projects for each county	
6	(\$50,000 for each county) \$200,000)
7	4. Evaluation <u>\$100,000</u>)
8	Total \$450,000)
9	The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys to the	
10	healthy aging project to assist its action plan.	
11	SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general	
12	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$450,000, or so much	
13	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for the	
14	healthy aging project to continue to provide technical	
15	assistance to partners across the state on evidence-based	
16	interventions, conduct statewide public awareness initiatives,	
17	expand local projects, and conduct an evaluation.	
18	SECTION 3. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the	

department of health for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Appropriation; Healthy Aging Project

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Healthy Aging Project to assist it with its action plan.