A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMUNITY-BASED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the business
- 2 community, nonprofit organizations, and other entrepreneurs
- 3 require a functional, service-oriented agency that is readily
- 4 accessible. Such an agency is needed to provide business
- 5 counseling, financial backing, and general support to foster
- 6 real, community-based economic development of the various
- 7 products and services demonstrating and embracing Hawaii's
- 8 diversified economy.
- 9 The Hawaii community-based economic development technical
- $10\,$ and financial assistance program of the department of business,
- 11 economic development, and tourism was established for this very
- 12 purpose. To provide needed financial assistance to community-
- 13 based entrepreneurs, the Hawaii community-based economic
- 14 development technical and financial assistance program has been
- 15 authorized by the legislature to provide low interest grants to
- 16 qualifying applicants.

- 1 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the
- 2 Hawaii community-based economic development technical and
- 3 financial assistance program.
- 4 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much
- 6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 to provide
- 7 grants under the Hawaii community-based economic development
- 8 technical and financial assistance program.
- 9 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 10 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
- 11 this Act.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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Report Title:

Community-Based Economic Development

Description:

Appropriates funds for Hawaii Community-Based Economic Development Technical and Financial Assistance Program.