A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE KIKALA-KEOKEA HOUSING REVOLVING FUND.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Beginning in 1983, and continuing into the
- 2 following decade, lava erupting from by Kilauea volcano
- 3 repeatedly invaded communities along the southern coast of the
- 4 island of Hawaii, destroying more than one hundred eighty homes.
- 5 The lava invasion culminated with the destruction of Kalapana in
- 6 1990 and 1991.
- 7 The lava flows destroyed one of the last native Hawaiian
- 8 settlements on the island of Hawaii, a tightly-knit community
- 9 whose rights to occupy the land under homestead leases and to
- 10 fish in surrounding waters have been recognized by the federal
- 11 government since 1938 under the Kalapana Extension Act.
- In recognition of this tragedy, the legislature enacted Act
- 13 314, Session Laws of Hawaii 1991, as amended, authorizing the
- 14 department of land and natural resources to negotiate long-term
- 15 leases with qualified, displaced Kalapana families to allow them
- 16 to maintain their heritage on ceded lands in the Kikala-Keokea
- 17 homestead area adjacent to the Kalapana-Kapoho Beach road. This



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- 1 site allows the Kalapana families to maintain their traditional
- 2 cultural practices, including speaking the Hawaiian language,
- 3 raising small animals, planting sustenance crops, growing herbal
- 4 medicines, and gathering additional food resources from the
- 5 nearby ocean and uplands.
- 6 In 2001, the legislature enacted Act 144, Session Laws of
- 7 Hawaii 2001, which established the infrastructure development
- 8 fund to fund the construction of roads, water lines, and other
- 9 infrastructure, and the Kikala-Keokea housing revolving fund to
- 10 provide low-interest loans to Kikala-Keokea lessees for home
- 11 construction.
- 12 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the
- 13 Kikala-Keokea housing revolving fund.
- 14 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,000,000, or so
- 16 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
- 17 deposit into the Kikala-Keokea housing revolving fund
- 18 established under section 201G-170.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
- 19 to provide low-interest home construction loans for
- 20 Kikala-Keokea leaseholders and to fund related activities.

- 1 SECTION 3. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the
- 2 Hawaii public housing administration for the purposes of this
- 3 Act.
- 4 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 2, 2006.

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Report Title: Kikala-Keokea

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Kikala-Keokea housing revolving fund.