

GOV. MSG. NO. 752

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE

April 16, 2007

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on April 16, 2007, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1377

A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION. (ACT 017)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

ACT 017 H.B. NO. 1377

A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for
- 2 immediate passage in accordance with section 9 of article VII of
- 3 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.
- 4 SECTION 2. The purpose of this Act is to increase the
- 5 expenditure ceiling of the health systems special fund,
- 6 established by section 323F-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to pay
- 7 for operational costs that will exceed the current expenditure
- 8 ceiling.
- 9 A ceiling increase of \$41,000,000 for the health systems
- 10 special fund is required to pay for additional staff hired for
- 11 the conversion of Kula, Hale Ho'ola Hamakua, and Samuel Mahelona
- 12 Memorial Hospitals to critical access hospital status; for
- 13 hospitalist programs at Hilo Medical Center, Maui Memorial
- 14 Medical Center, and Kona Community Hospital; to operate the
- 15 medical/surgical wing at Maui Memorial Medical Center; to staff
- 16 imaging departments; to provide physicians for specialty

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- 1 coverage; and to help cover the increasing costs of providing
- 2 quality healthcare.
- 3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the health systems
- 4 special fund the sum of \$41,000,000, or so much thereof as may
- 5 be necessary, for fiscal year 2006-2007 to carry out the
- 6 purposes of this Act.
- 7 SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the
- 8 Hawaii health systems corporation.
- 9 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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11 INTRODUCED BY

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BY REQUEST

JAN 2 2 2007

APPROVED this 16 day of

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII