
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AIDS RESEARCH.

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

1 SECTION 1. The Hawaii AIDS clinical research program of
2 the University of Hawaii John A. Burns school of medicine is a
3 world-class organization whose mission is to:

4 (1) Develop clinical research capabilities to evaluate
5 optimal therapies for HIV-1 infection and AIDS-
6 associated complications;

7 (2) Provide access to clinical research trials and studies
8 for all HIV-1 patients in Hawaii; and

9 (3) Facilitate the transfer of research findings to
10 clinical care that will ultimately improve the lives
11 of patients with HIV-1 infection.

12 The Hawaii AIDS clinical research program offers many
13 important services, including providing Hawaii HIV patients with
14 specialized care and access to new HIV medications before these
15 medications are approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

16 The program also ensures that Hawaii's unique ethnic groups are
17 represented in national multi-state HIV trials. In addition,



1 the Hawaii AIDS clinical research program is responsible for
2 obtaining over \$26,000,000 in federal and commercial funding for
3 the University of Hawaii over the last fifteen years.

4 The Hawaii AIDS clinical trials unit is part of the Hawaii
5 AIDS clinical research program and provides basic infrastructure
6 for the program. The unit has been notified by the National
7 Institutes of Health that it will no longer be funded. With the
8 lack of infrastructure funding for the Hawaii AIDS clinical
9 research program, the University of Hawaii could potentially
10 lose \$21,000,000 in current and pending HIV-related grant funds.

11 The purpose of this Act is to provide funding to ensure
12 that the basic infrastructure of the entire Hawaii AIDS clinical
13 research program can remain viable and productive.

14 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1 or so much thereof
16 as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 and the same sum
17 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009
18 to the University of Hawaii for the Hawaii AIDS clinical
19 research program.

20 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
21 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.



Report Title:

AIDS Research; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for the Hawaii AIDS clinical research program. (HB136 HD1)

