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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE ABOUT FACE PROGRAM.

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

1	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hawaii national	
2	guard's ab	oout face family of programs serves at-risk youth by:
3	(1)	Keeping youth in school and improving their academic
4		achievement;
5	(2)	Helping youth to obtain a new vision for their future;
6	(3)	Reducing juvenile crime and drug use;
7	(4)	Providing Hawaii national guard soldiers as role
8		models and mentors; to interact with youth;
9	(5)	Training youth in life, academic, work readiness, and
10		critical thinking skills; and
11	(6)	Providing armories located in local communities as
12		patriotic and positive safe havens for youth.
13	The l	egislature further finds that the about face family of
14	programs i	mproves the morale of soldiers who participate in the
15	programs,	while at the same time fulfilling the Hawaii national
16	guard's co	mmunity support mission in accordance with the
17	adjutant g	eneral's leadership philosophy. The hiring of Hawaii
18	national g	uard members, their spouses, and dependents also
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1 provides support to Hawaii national guard families. Funding for 2 the about face family of programs creates up to three times the economic benefit within host communities, and use of the Hawaii 3 national guard facilities infrastructure multiplies the benefits 4 5 of those facilities. About face program skills training helps 6 to break the family cycle of dependency on public assistance, 7 creates a business environment conducive to economic opportunity, and enhances the quality of life in host 8 9 communities.

10 The purpose of this Act is to ensure that funding is
11 available to continue the operation of the about face family of
12 programs in fiscal year 2009-2010 and 2010-2011.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the federal fund appropriation for the department of human services for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families services the sum of \$2,850,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2010-2011 for the about face family of programs under the state department of defense.

20 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the state21 department of defense for the purposes of this Act.



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1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

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## Description:

Appropriates TANF funds for Hawaii national guard about face family of programs for FY 2009-2010 and 2010-2011.

