A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOUSING POLICY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Pursuant to Act 191, Session Laws of Hawaii
- 2 2010, the legislature appropriated moneys from the emergency and
- 3 budget reserve fund to maintain levels of essential programs for
- 4 education, human services, health, and the public welfare.
- 5 These moneys included funds to provide for the development and
- 6 implementation of a housing first pilot program for chronically
- 7 homeless individuals. As of December 2010, the governor has
- 8 been in the process of releasing the funds appropriated pursuant
- 9 to Act 191.
- 10 However, due to the delay in the release of funds, the
- 11 department of human services may not have enough time to expend
- 12 the funds for the housing first pilot program before they lapse
- 13 at the end of the 2010-2011 fiscal year. This situation would
- 14 severely curtail the ability of the department and the Hawaii
- 15 public housing authority to help the chronically homeless
- 16 individuals recognized by the legislature as being in dire need
- 17 of housing services.

- 1 The purpose of this Act is to ensure the fulfillment of the
- 2 legislature's intent in passing Act 191, by extending to
- 3 December 31, 2012, the date on which the appropriation for the
- 4 housing first pilot program will lapse.
- 5 SECTION 2. Act 191, Session Laws of Hawaii 2010, is
- 6 amended by amending section 41 to read as follows:
- 7 "SECTION 41. This Act shall take effect on July 1,
- 8 2010 [-]; provided that the appropriation made for the housing
- 9 first pilot program in section 14 of this Act shall not lapse at
- 10 the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made;
- 11 provided further that moneys appropriated for the housing first
- 12 pilot program in section 14 of this Act that are unencumbered as
- of December 31, 2012, shall lapse at the close of business on
- 14 that date."
- 15 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on June 29, 2011.

Report Title:

Emergency and Budget Reserve Fund; Housing First Pilot Program; Appropriation

Description:

Extends to December 31, 2012, the lapse date of funds appropriated from the emergency and budget reserve fund pursuant to Act 191, SLH 2010, for the housing first pilot program. Effective June 29, 2011. (HB898 HD2)

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