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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS HONOLULU

NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

July 06, 2012

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Calvin Say, Speaker and Members of the House Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Tsutsui, Speaker Say and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 06, 2012, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2778 SD1 HD1 CD1

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD HEALTH. **Act 269 (12)**

NEIL ABERCROMBIE Governor, State of Hawaii Approved by the Governor

on <u>JUL 6 2012</u>

THE SENATE TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2012 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 269

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD HEALTH.

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

1		PART I									
2	SECT	ION 1. (a) There is established a childhood obesity									
3	preventio	n task force to develop and recommend legislation									
4	related t	o the prevention of childhood obesity.									
5	(b)	The task force shall be composed of:									
6	(1)	The director of finance, or the director's designee;									
7	(2)	The director of commerce and consumer affairs, or the									
8		director's designee;									
9	(3)	The superintendent of education, or the									
10		superintendent's designee;									
11	(4)	The director of health, or the director's designee;									
12	(5)	The director of human services, or the director's									
13		designee;									
14	(6)	The director of taxation, or the director's designee;									
15	(7)	A representative from the department of the attorney									
16		<pre>general;</pre>									
17	(8)	A representative from the state advisory council on									
18		early childhood education and care;									
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1	(9)	A representative from the board of education;									
2	(10)	A representative from the department of the attorney									
3		general;									
4	(11)	A representative from the University of Hawaii's									
5		department of public health sciences;									
6	(12)	A representative from the University of Hawaii's John									
7		A. Burns school of medicine;									
8	(13)	A representative from the American Heart Association;									
9	(14)	A representative from the American Cancer Association;									
10	(15)	A representative from the American Diabetes									
11		Association;									
12	(16)	A representative from the Hawaii Association for the									
13		Education of Young Children;									
14	(17)	A representative from the house of representatives;									
15	(18)	A representative from the senate; and									
16	(19)	A representative selected by the governor.									
17	(c)	The director of health shall serve as the chairperson									
18	or may de	signate a chairperson and vice chairperson.									
19	(d)	The childhood obesity prevention task force shall:									
20	(1)	Assemble accurate research, fiscal and demographic									
21		information, and justification to support policy									
22		development, and track outcomes; and									

1	(2)	Research other state, county, and organizational
2		policy agendas and suggested best practices related to
3		childhood obesity prevention policies.

- 4 (e) The task force may create subcommittees for the5 purpose of developing policy recommendations.
- 6 (f) The task force shall meet at least monthly from July7 through November 2012.
- 8 (g) The task force shall be administratively attached to9 the department of health.
- (h) Members of the task force shall not receive

 compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for

 necessary expenses, including travel expenses, incurred in the

 performance of their duties under this Act.
- (i) The task force shall report its findings and
 recommendations, including proposed legislation, to the
 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
 the 2013 regular session, and shall be dissolved on December 31,
 2012.
- 19 PART II
- 20 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the Hawaii tobacco 21 settlement special fund, established pursuant to section 328L-2,

1	Hawaii	Revised	Statutes,	the	sum	of	\$1	or	so	much	thereof	as	may

- 2 be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 to:
- (1) Collect and analyze Hawaii-specific early childhood
 obesity data to identify children at risk;
- 5 (2) Increase awareness of the health implications of early6 childhood obesity; and
- 7 (3) Promote best practices through community-based
 8 initiatives to improve healthy life choices, such as
 9 training and technical assistance to child care
 10 providers to promote exercise and nutrition best11 practices and the advantages of breastfeeding.
- The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of health for the purposes of this Act.
- 14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

APPROVED this 6 day of JUL, 2012

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII