## A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the recent closure
- 2 of the Hawaii Medical Center facilities, after eighty-five years
- 3 of serving patients, has had a devastating impact on emergency
- 4 medical services in west Oahu. In addition to transferring all
- 5 patients to other hospitals and long-term care facilities,
- 6 Hawaii Medical Center laid off the majority of its nearly 1,000
- 7 employees. While the Hawaii Medical Center facilities are
- 8 likely to be acquired and reopened at some point by one of the
- 9 State's existing operators, in the interim area residents are
- 10 concerned about the shortage of emergency medical services.
- 11 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys for
- 12 emergency medical services.
- 13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,500,000 or so much
- 15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 for
- 16 emergency medical services.
- 17 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 18 health for the purposes of this Act.

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1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

## Report Title:

Emergency Medical Services; Appropriation

## Description:

Appropriates \$1,500,000 for fiscal year 2012-2013 for emergency medical services. (SD1)

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