H.B. NO. 227

A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES.

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

1	PART I			
2	SECTION 1. The following sums or so much thereof as may be			
3	necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 are appropriated out of the			
4	general revenues of the State of Hawaii to the department of the			
5	attorney general for the purpose of satisfying claims for			
6	legislative relief as to the following named persons, firms,			
7	corporations, and entities, for claims against the State or its			
8	officers or employees for the overpayment of taxes, or for			
9	refunds, reimbursements, payments of judgments or settlements,			
10	or other liabilities, in the amounts set forth opposite their			
11	names:			
12 13 14	JUDGMENTS AGAINST THE STATE AMOUNT AND SETTLEMENTS OF CLAIMS:			
15 16	1. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS			
10 17 18 19	Hawaii Pacific Health, et al. v. Dwight \$ 89,645.15 Takamine, Civil No. 11-00706 SOM/RLP, USDC Settlement			
20	2. DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES			
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1 Coziar v. State of Hawaii 30,000.00 \$ Civil No. 13-1-0018(1), Second Circuit 2 Settlement 3 4 3. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY: 5 6 Buan v. State of Hawaii, et al. \$ 50,000.00 7 Civil No. 11-1-1222-06, First Circuit Settlement 8 9 10 SUBTOTAL: \$ 169,645.15 11 12 4. MISCELLANEOUS CLAIMS: 13 14 Aimee Clay \$ 497.48 15 Bruce A. Menin 16 421,346.13 \$ 17 Thomas K. Nagano 18 \$ 222.96 19 20 21 SUBTOTAL: \$ 422,066.57 22 Total (SECTION 1): \$ 591,711.72 23 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department of the attorney general for the purposes of this Act. 24 25 PART II 26 SECTION 2. The following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 are appropriated out of the 27 state highway fund for the purpose of satisfying claims for 28 legislative relief as to the following named persons, for claims 29 30 against the State or its officers or employees for payments of judgments or settlements, or other liabilities, in the amount 31 set forth opposite their names: 32

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1 2 3	JUDGMENTS AGAINST THE STATE AND SETTLEMENTS OF CLAIMS:		AMOUNT		
4	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAYS DIVISION:				
5 6 7 8	Adams, et al. v. Yokooji, et al. Civil No. 07-1-1567, First Circuit	\$	25,000.00 Settlement		
9 10 11	Booth v. State of Hawaii, et al. Civil No. 12-1-0262, Fifth Circuit	\$	65,000.00 Settlement		
12 13 14	SUBTOTAL:	\$	90,000.00		
15 16	TOTAL (SECTION 2)	Ş	90,000.00		
10 17	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department				
18	of transportation, highways division, for the purposes of this				
19	Act.				
20	PART III				
21	SECTION 3. The sums hereinabove may be paid to the				
22	respective persons, or for the satisfaction or settlement of the				
23	respectively identified cases, and in several amounts				
24	hereinabove set forth or in lesser amounts deemed appropriate,				
25	upon checks issued by the comptroller; provided departments				
26	shall obtain the approval of the attorney general before payment				
27	of any claim can be made.				
28	SECTION 4. Notwithstanding the sums hereinabove stated as				
29	interest upon judgments against the State, payment of interest				

30 shall be limited to the period from the date of judgment, if

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applicable, to thirty days after the effective date of this Act, 1 as provided in section 662-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for those 2 3 cases to which the statute applies. SECTION 5. All unexpended and unencumbered balances of the 4 appropriations made in this Act as of the close of business on 5 June 30, 2015, shall lapse. 6 SECTION 6. If any provision of this Act, or the 7 application thereof to any person or circumstance is held 8 9 invalid, the invalidity does not effect other provisions or applications of the Act, which can be given effect without the 10 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions 11 12 of this Act are severable. 13 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. 14 INTRODUCED BY: 15 BY REQUEST 16 JAN 2 1 2014

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Report Title: Appropriations; Claims Against State

Description:

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Makes appropriations for claims against the State, its officers, and its employees.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

- DEPARTMENT: Attorney General
- TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES.
- PURPOSE: Provide for the authorization and payment of claims against the State for refunds of taxes, for judgments and settlements, and for other miscellaneous payments as provided by chapters 37, 661, and 662, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
- MEANS: Authorize and appropriate funds for the payment of such claims.
- JUSTIFICATION: This bill serves as the vehicle by which claims against the State are transmitted to the Legislature for its consideration. The Legislature will be asked to authorize and fund the payment of such claims by an appropriation of general and special funds. Timely passage of this bill will serve to minimize interest on those amounts for which interest is accruing.

<u>Impact on the public</u>: There would be no direct impact on the public other than the persons whose claims are being paid.

Impact on the department and other agencies: Claims eligible for payment from a special fund will generally be charged to that special fund rather than the general fund. Certain claims will be paid from a department's appropriation as reflected in the budget bill. In such case, that department will be responsible for finding the moneys in its budget to pay for the judgments and settlements rendered against it. Page 2

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GENERAL FUND: \$591,711.72

OTHER FUNDS: \$90,000.00

PPBS PROGRAM Various.

OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES:

DESIGNATION:

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon approval.

None.