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JAN 2 4 2018

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 2017-2018 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 15 16 17 18	JUDGMENTS AGAINST THE STATE AND SETTLEMENTS OF CLAIMS: 1. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: Clark, et al. v. Department of Education, \$ 35,000.00 et al., Civil No. 15-1-2486-12, Settlement				
19 20 21	First Circuit				

1 2	2.	DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS:		
3 4 5		Arthur, et al. v. State of Hawaii, et al. Civil No. 05-1-1981-11, First Circuit	\$	200,000.00 Settlement
6 7	3.	DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES:		
8 9 10		Kalili v. Department of Human Services, et al., Civil No. 13-1-0171, Third Circuit	\$	115,000.00 Settlement
11 12 13		Lahti, et al. v. State of Hawaii, et al. Civil No. 08-1-0132(3), Second Circuit	\$	450,000.00 Settlement
14 15	4.	DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY:		
16 17 18		Hopfe v. State of Hawaii, et al. Civil No. 16-1-0646-04, First Circuit	\$	20,000.00 Settlement
19 20 21		Smith v. State of Hawaii, et al. Civil No. 14-00432 LEK-KSC, USDC	\$	50,000.00 Settlement
22 23 24		SUBTOTAL:	\$	870,000.00
25 26		TOTAL (Section 1):	\$	870,000.00
27		The sums appropriated shall be expended by t	he d	epartment
28	of t	he attorney general for the purposes of this	Act.	
29		PART II		
30		SECTION 2. The following sums or so much the	nerec	of as may be
31	nece	ssary for fiscal year 2017-2018 are appropria	ted	out of the
32	state	e highway fund for the purpose of satisfying	clai	ms for
33	legi	slative relief as to the following named pers	ons,	for claims
34	agai	nst the State or its officers or employees fo	r pa	yments of
35	judgı	ments or settlements, or other liabilities, i	n th	e amount
36	set :	forth opposite their names:		

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1 2 3	JUDGMENTS AGAINST THE STATE AND SETTLEMENTS OF CLAIMS:		AMOUNT	
4 5	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAYS DIVISION:			
6 7 8	Van Vleet v. Costales, et al. Civil No. 17-1-0951-06, First Circuit	\$	70,000.00 Settlement	
9 10 11	Claim of Garrison Property and Casualty Insurance Company USAA	\$	19,312.84 Settlement	
12 13 14	SUBTOTAL:	\$	89,312.84	
15 16	TOTAL (Section 2):	\$	89,312.84	
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 amo	unts	5	
24	hereinabove set forth or in lesser amounts deemed	apr	propriate,	
25	upon checks issued by the comptroller; provided d	lepar	ctments	
26	shall obtain the approval of the attorney general	bef	ore payment	
27	of any claim can be made.			
28	SECTION 4. Notwithstanding the sums hereina	.bove	e stated as	
29	interest upon judgments against the State, payment of interest			
30	shall be limited to the period from the date of j	udgn	ment, if	

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1	applicable, to thirty days after the effective date of this Act,			
2	as provided in section 662-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for those			
3	cases to which the statute applies.			
4	SECTION 5. All unexpended and unencumbered balances of the			
5	appropriations made in this Act as of the close of business on			
6	June 30, 2019, shall lapse.			
7	SECTION 6. If any provision of this Act, or the			
8	application thereof to any person or circumstance is held			
9	invalid, the invalidity does not effect other provisions or			
10	applications of the Act, which can be given effect without the			
11	invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions			
12	of this Act are severable.			
13	SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.			
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15	INTRODUCED BY:			
16	BY REQUEST			
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Report Title:

Claims Against the State

Description:

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.

Impact on the public: 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.

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GENERAL FUND: \$870,000.00

OTHER FUNDS:

\$89,312.00

PPBS PROGRAM

DESIGNATION:

Various.

OTHER AFFECTED

AGENCIES:

None.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon approval.