

JAN 20 2017

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that article X, section
2 4, of the Hawai'i state constitution provides in pertinent part,
3 "The State shall promote the study of Hawaiian culture, history
4 and language." In addition, article XV, section 4, of the
5 Hawai'i state constitution establishes Hawaiian as one of two
6 official languages of the State of Hawai'i. The legislature
7 further finds that the Hawai'i state constitution is officially
8 published in English.

9 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the
10 University of Hawai'i to translate the Hawai'i state constitution
11 into the Hawaiian language.

12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
13 revenues of the State of Hawai'i the sum of \$25,000 or so much
14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
15 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year



1 2018-2019 to translate the Hawai'i state constitution into the
2 Hawaiian language.

3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
4 of Hawai'i for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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S.B. NO. 560

Report Title:

UH; Appropriation; Hawaiian Language Interpretation of State Constitution

Description:

Appropriates funds to the University of Hawai'i to translate the Hawai'i state constitution into the Hawaiian language.

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