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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE COUNTIES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the International
- 2 Accreditation Service provides objective evidence that an
- 3 organization operates at the highest level of ethical, legal,
- 4 and technical standards. The International Accreditation
- 5 Service accredits a wide range of companies and organizations,
- 6 including governmental entities, commercial businesses, and
- 7 professional associations.
- 8 The International Accreditation Service accreditation
- 9 programs are based on recognized national and international
- 10 standards, such as building and structural standards, that
- 11 ensure domestic and global acceptance of its accreditations. As
- 12 a result, International Accreditation Service accredited
- 13 companies and organizations can improve their processes using
- 14 input gained from onsite assessment and by learning about best
- 15 practices from International Accreditation Service assessors and
- 16 peer evaluators. Furthermore, an International Accreditation
- 17 Service accreditation can result in reduced cost, time savings,



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- 1 and improvement of products and services. Thus, if applied to
- 2 county building codes, an accreditation by the International
- 3 Accreditation Service can enable county building agencies to
- 4 ensure buildings meet the best and most current, accepted
- 5 standards.
- The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for a
- 7 grant-in-aid to each county for the county agency responsible
- 8 for enforcing its respective building code to be accredited by
- 9 the International Accreditation Service.
- 10 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$80,000 or so much
- 12 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 for a
- 13 grant-in-aid to each county, other than the county of Kalawao,
- 14 for the county agency responsible for enforcing its respective
- 15 building code to be accredited by the International
- 16 Accreditation Service, to be allocated as follows:
- 17 (1) \$20,000 to the city and county of Honolulu;
- 18 (2) \$20,000 to the county of Maui;
- 19 (3) \$20,000 to the county of Hawaii; and
- 20 (4) \$20,000 to the county of Kauai.

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- The sum appropriated shall be expended by each county for 1
- the purposes of this Act. 2
- SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019. 3



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### Report Title:

Counties; Building Codes; Grant-in-Aid; Appropriation

### Description:

Appropriates funds for a grant-in-aid to each county, other than the county of Kalawao, for the county agency responsible for enforcing its respective building code to be accredited by the International Accreditation Service.

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