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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that a healthy home and
- 2 upbringing is imperative for families of newborns throughout the
- 3 State, especially for those at risk of child maltreatment and
- 4 developmental delays and families in need of extra parenting
- 5 support.
- 6 The purpose of this Act is to fund healthy start child
- 7 abuse prevention services for families of newborns at very high
- 8 risk of maltreatment and neglect across the State. This
- 9 investment in the most vulnerable infants is effective and
- 10 intended to reduce future expenditures for child welfare, early
- 11 intervention services, special education, substance abuse,
- 12 mental health treatment services, and judiciary and
- 13 incarceration costs.
- 14 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$3,558,000 or so much
- 16 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the
- 17 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year



- 1 2020-2021 for healthy start child abuse prevention services;
- 2 provided that any unexpended and unencumbered balance of the
- 3 appropriation shall not lapse at the end of fiscal year 2020-
- 4 2021 and shall lapse instead on June 30, 2022.
- 5 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 6 of health for the purposes of this Act.
- 7 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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INTRODUCED BY:



S.B. NO. 883

Report Title:

Healthy Start; Child Abuse Prevention; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for healthy start child abuse prevention services.

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