
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2 by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§10- General fund appropriations; direct distribution
5 to beneficiaries. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the
6 contrary, at least fifty per cent of the total general funds
7 appropriated to the office each fiscal year shall be distributed
8 directly to beneficiaries of the public trust entrusted upon the
9 office."

10 SECTION 2. Section 10-14.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

12 "(a) The budget, six-year program and financial plan, and
13 the variance report of the office of Hawaiian affairs shall be
14 submitted by the board to the legislature and to each member
15 thereof in accordance with the budget submission schedule
16 specified for the governor in chapter 37 and shall contain the
17 program information specified in that chapter that is applicable



1 to the office of Hawaiian affairs. Any general fund
2 expenditures proposed by the budget and six-year program and
3 financial plan submitted pursuant to this subsection shall
4 comply with the requirements of section 10- . Not less than
5 twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session of
6 the legislature, the office of Hawaiian affairs shall submit to
7 the legislature an accounting of the expenditures made in the
8 prior fiscal year, by account code and budget program. By
9 November 1 of each year preceding a legislative session in which
10 a budget is to be submitted, the board shall provide written
11 notification to the governor of the proposed total expenditures,
12 by cost categories and sources of funding, and estimated
13 revenues of the office of Hawaiian affairs for each fiscal year
14 of the next fiscal biennium[-]; provided that the proposed
15 expenditures shall comply with the requirements of section
16 10- ."

17 SECTION 3. Section 10-14.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 " **[+]****§10-14.6****[+]** **Legislative review.** The legislature shall
20 consider the board's proposed program and financial plan;
21 evaluate alternatives to the board's recommendations; and



1 appropriate any general fund portion of the budget and any
 2 matching special fund appropriations[-]; provided that any
 3 general funds appropriated by the legislature shall comply with
 4 the requirements of section 10- ."

5 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020, and
 8 shall apply to budget preparation and submissions for fiscal
 9 year 2021-2022 and subsequent fiscal years.

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H.B. NO. 2468

Report Title:

OHA; Budget; Direct Benefits to Beneficiaries

Description:

Requires at least 50% of all general funds appropriated to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs each fiscal year to be distributed directly to beneficiaries. Applies to budget preparation and submissions for fiscal year 2021-2022 and subsequent fiscal years.

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