
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HEALTHCARE ASSURANCE SPECIAL FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that, in response to the
2 COVID-19 pandemic, there is increased need for public and health
3 care facility education and outreach to assure appropriate and
4 high-quality health care facility access.

5 The purpose of this Act is to increase the annual
6 expenditure ceiling of the office of health care assurance
7 special fund to offset increasing operational expenses that
8 include contracts to implement a new management information
9 system and background checks system, as well as diminish
10 dependence on the general fund.

11 SECTION 2. Section 321-1.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
12 amended by amending subsections (b) and (c) to read as follows:

13 "(b) Moneys in the special fund shall be expended by the
14 department of health:

15 (1) To assist in offsetting operating costs and
16 educational program expenses of the department of
17 health's office of health care assurance; and



1 (2) For the purpose of enhancing the capacity of office of
2 health care assurance programs to:

3 (A) Improve public health outreach efforts, program
4 and community development, and consultations to
5 industries regulated;

6 (B) Educate the public, the staff of the department
7 of health, and other departments within the
8 State, as well as staff and providers of all
9 health care facilities and agencies regulated;
10 [and];

11 (C) Administer and support the durable medical
12 equipment supplier license program established
13 pursuant to part XLIII[-]; and

14 (D) Conduct investigations.

15 Not more than [~~\$327,000~~] \$ _____ of the special fund
16 may be used during any fiscal year for the activities carried
17 out by the office of health care assurance.

18 (c) Any amount in the special fund in excess of [~~\$387,500~~]
19 \$ _____ on June 30 of each year shall be deposited into the
20 general fund."



1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2060.



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Report Title:

Office of Health Care Assurance Special Fund; Ceiling

Description:

Increases ceiling of the office of health care assurance special fund to meet expanding program needs and diminish dependence on the general fund. Permits the office of health care assurance to use the special fund to enhance the office of health care assurance's capacity to conduct investigations. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)

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