

# GOV. MSG. NO. 1129

### EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

MAY 27 2022

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on

MAY 27 2022

, the following bill was signed into law:

SB3124 SD1 HD1

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR COSTS RESULTING FROM THE RELEASE OF PETROLEUM FROM THE RED HILL BULK FUEL STORAGE FACILITY.

**ACT 029** 

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. TGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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THE SENATE
THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2022
STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 3124 S.D. 1 H.D. 1

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR COSTS RESULTING FROM THE RELEASE OF PETROLEUM FROM THE RED HILL BULK FUEL STORAGE FACILITY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for
- 2 immediate passage in accordance with section 9 of article VII of
- 3 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.
- 4 SECTION 2. The purpose of this Act is to make an emergency
- 5 appropriation to provide funds for the department of health for
- 6 costs related to emergency response for threats to public health
- 7 and enforcement activities resulting from release of petroleum
- 8 from the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility. The department of
- 9 health hazard evaluation and emergency response office opened
- 10 Navy Water System Incident Case No. 20211128-1848 on
- 11 November 28, 2021, when the department of health was notified
- 12 that petroleum product was observed in drinking water by users
- 13 of the Navy's Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam public water system
- 14 (PWS 360) and consecutive Army Aliamanu Military Reservation
- 15 public water system (PWS 337) on Oahu.

| 1  | The  | department of health will pursue cost recovery from the |
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| 2  | United St  | ates Navy, but funds are needed in advance of any cost  |
| 3  | recovery   | to pay for expenses incurred, including:                |
| 4  | (1)  | Additional staff to enable thorough sampling and        |
| 5  |  | confirmation collection according to State and federal  |
| 6  |  | drinking water regulations and procedures;              |
| 7  | (2)  | Laboratory testing;                                     |
| 8  | . (3)  | Retention of additional subject matter experts to       |
| 9  |  | supplement department staff;                            |
| 10 | (4)  | Additional staff for data management;                   |
| 11 | (5)  | Maintenance and repair for laboratory instruments used  |
| 12 |  | for testing of drinking water samples;                  |
| 13 | (6)  | Crisis communications assistance; and                   |
| 14 | (7)  | Overtime costs for the many state employees needed to   |
| 15 |  | work on the emergency response.                         |
| 16 | Response activities needed since the initial report of           |   |
| 17 | contaminated water in areas surrounding the Red Hill Bulk Fuel   |   |
| 18 | Storage Facility in late November 2021, have included            |   |
| 19 | coordination, planning, operations, logistics, and finance tasks |   |
| 20 | that involve collecting, testing, and analyzing water samples;   |   |
| 21 | media relations and public messaging; responding to public       |   |

- 1 inquiries and complaints; data management; geographic
- 2 information systems mapping; procurement; cost accounting; and
- 3 coordination with government entities, including the United
- 4 States Navy, Hawaii emergency management agency, United States
- 5 Environmental Protection Agency, United States Centers for
- 6 Disease Prevention and Control, Hawaii's congressional
- 7 delegation, department of education, department of human
- 8 services, department of land and natural resources, and others.
- 9 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,500,000, or so
- 11 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2021-2022 to
- 12 carry out the purpose of this Act, including response and
- 13 enforcement activities of the department of health relating to
- 14 petroleum leaks at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility.
- 15 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 16 health for purposes of this Act.
- 17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 27 day of

**GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII** 

MAY , 2022

#### THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 28, 2022 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2022.

resident of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 3124, SD 1, HD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 7, 2022 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

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