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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII STATE LIBRARY SYSTEM.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that during the
- 2 coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic, computer use for work,
- 3 communication, and entertainment has increased. At-risk people
- 4 including our kupuna should have the option to communicate with
- 5 their families and physicians, receive news, and do tasks such
- 6 as banking online to reduce their potential exposure to the
- 7 virus.
- 8 The legislature further finds that the state library system
- 9 has recently reopened and allow for safe computer access for the
- 10 public. For our kupuna who have not had a need to learn how to
- 11 use a computer until now, need to learn a new program like Zoom
- 12 or create an email, or who just need a refresher, a service
- 13 should be available at libraries to provide assistance to all
- 14 who wish to use the computer resources.
- 15 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for five
- 16 technical support positions for the Hawaii state library system

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- 1 whose primary task shall be to serve our kupuna in navigating
- 2 computers and the Internet.
- 3 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for
- 6 the hiring of five technical support positions to assist library
- 7 patrons in navigating publicly available computers and the
- 8 Internet.
- 9 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii state
- 10 library system for the purposes of this Act.
- 11 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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Report Title:

Hawaii State Library System; Technical Support; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for hiring five technical support positions for the Hawaii State Library System to assist patrons in navigating computers and the Internet.

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