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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that providing support to
- 2 small businesses is a critical strategy to assist small
- 3 businesses sustain and grow within Hawaii's economy and
- 4 individual communities. In 2021, Congress appropriated funds
- 5 for the state small business credit initiative program to assist
- 6 small businesses accessing capital during the coronavirus
- 7 disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. The State will receive over
- 8 \$56,000,000 in federal funds to provide capital assistance to
- 9 small businesses in Hawaii. While the state small business
- 10 credit initiative program requires private capital to match
- 11 these funds, the program has potential to create over
- 12 \$600,000,000 in capital and investment into Hawaii's small
- 13 businesses that faced significant impacts and challenges caused
- 14 by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 15 Therefore, to support Hawaii's small businesses, the
- 16 purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the state small



- 1 business credit initiative program to provide financial support
- 2 to Hawaii businesses.
- 3 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,000,000 or so much
- 5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for the
- 6 state small business credit initiative program.
- 7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
- 8 technology development corporation for the purposes of this Act.
- 9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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INTRODUCED BY:



S.B. NO. 2903

Report Title:

Hawaii Technology Development Corporation; State Small Business Credit Initiative Program; COVID-19; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation for the State Small Business Credit Initiative Program.

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