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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO FUND A GRANT TO THE BOARD  
OF WATER SUPPLY FOR EMERGENCY OPERATIONS, FUTURE PLANNING,  
AND GROUND WATER REMEDIATION.

**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 2021 fuel leak at the United States Navy's  
5 Red Hill fuel storage facility on Oahu and subsequent  
6 groundwater contamination is an ongoing environmental and health  
7 crisis. Despite the Navy's agreement to drain the fuel storage  
8 tanks, the immediate threat of groundwater and aquifer  
9 contamination remains. The purpose of this Act is to  
10 appropriate funds to the Oahu board of water supply for  
11 emergency operations, future planning, and remediation resulting  
12 from the contamination of the southern Oahu basal aquifer.

13           SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the leaking  
14 underground storage tank fund established pursuant to section  
15 342L-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the sum of \$                    or so  
16 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2021-2022, as a



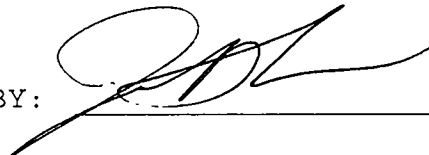
1 grant pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to be  
2 used for emergency operations, future planning, and remediation  
3 resulting from the contamination of the southern Oahu basal  
4 aquifer.

5 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
6 health to fund a grant to the Oahu board of water supply for the  
7 purposes of this Act; provided that the department of health  
8 shall seek to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the  
9 United States Navy to fully reimburse the State for the cost of  
10 this appropriation.

11 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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**Report Title:**

Emergency Appropriation; Board of Water Supply; Ground Water Remediation; Red Hill Storage Fuel Facility

**Description:**

Makes an emergency appropriation to the leaking underground storage tank fund to fund a grant to the Oahu Board of Water Supply for emergency operations, future planning, and remediation resulting from the contamination of the Southern Oahu Basal Aquifer; provided that the Department of Health seeks to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the United States Navy to reimburse the Department of Health for the full amount of the appropriation.

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