
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the med-QUEST
2 division of the department of human services offers standard
3 behavioral health services to all medicaid beneficiaries. In
4 addition, individuals with serious mental illness or serious and
5 persistent mental illness receive additional specialized
6 behavioral health services through their QUEST health plans.
7 However, the legislature also finds that various behavioral
8 health services are not currently covered under med-QUEST.

9 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
10 funding for the med-QUEST division of the department of human
11 services for non-covered or under-covered behavioral health
12 services for med-QUEST beneficiaries.

13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
15 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and
16 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
17 year 2024-2025 for the med-QUEST division of the department of



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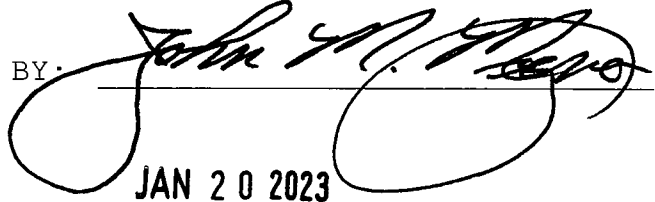
1 human services, program identification number HMS401 (health
2 care payments), for non-covered or under-covered behavioral
3 health services for med-QUEST beneficiaries.

4 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
5 of human services for the purposes of this Act.

6 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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Report Title:

Med-QUEST; Behavioral Health Services; Appropriations

Description:

Appropriates funding for the Med-QUEST division of the Department of Human Services (HMS401) for non-covered or under-covered behavioral health services for med-QUEST beneficiaries.

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