JAN 25 2023

### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AMBULANCES.

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

1 The legislature finds that it is of critical SECTION 1. 2 concern for the State to ensure its residents with prompt access 3 to primary health care. The legislature further finds that with 4 regards to the county of Maui, ambulance services are being 5 provided through a private contract with the American Medical Response with state funding, and that a total of nine ambulances 6 7 that are based at various state, county, and private facilities 8 throughout the county -- specifically, one unit each in East Maui, Kahului, and Wailuku, and two units each in South Maui, 9 10 West Maui, and Upcountry Maui. 11 The legislature also finds that there has been significant 12 population growth in Central Maui, and therefore, residents in 13 the area would greatly benefit from the addition of an advanced 14 life support ambulance. The legislature further finds that an 15 advanced life support ambulance will help reduce death and

disability among residents and visitors to Central Maui by

providing timely response to a 911 call, which is critical to

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- increasing the likelihood of successful outcomes for injured or 1
- 2 sick individuals.
- 3 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to purchase
- one advanced life support ambulance and related equipment to be 4
- based in the Central Maui area of the county of Maui, and to 5
- fund pay-related personnel costs for state-certified emergency 6
- 7 medical services personnel.
- 8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,500,000 or so much
- 10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the
- 11 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
- 2024-2025 for the purchase of one advanced life support 12
- 13 ambulance and related equipment to be based in the Central Maui
- area of the county of Maui, and to fund pay-related personnel 14
- 15 costs for one state-certified emergency medical technician and
- 16 one state-certified paramedic.
- 17 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- of health for the purposes of this Act. 18
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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### Report Title:

Emergency Medical Services; Advanced Life Support Ambulance; Central Maui; Department of Health; Appropriation

### Description:

Appropriate funds to the Department of Health for the purchase of one advanced life support ambulance and related equipment to be based in Central Maui, and to fund pay-related personnel costs for state-certified emergency medical services personnel.

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