A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE BUDGET.

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 PART I
- 5 SECTION 2. The legislature finds that the devastating
- $oldsymbol{6}$ wildfires brought on by winds from Hurricane Dora on August 8,
- 7 2023, resulted in one of the worst natural disasters in the
- 8 State's history. The wildfires caused loss of life and
- 9 displacement of thousands on the island of Maui. The disaster
- 10 also destroyed nearly all of Lahaina.
- 11 The legislature further finds that the constitutional
- 12 responsibility and power to appropriate rests solely with the
- 13 legislature. Chapter 127A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, was enacted
- 14 to provide the administration with sufficient ability, during
- 15 disasters or emergencies of unprecedented size and
- 16 destructiveness, to ensure the safety of the public and recovery
- 17 of the State.



1 The legislature further finds that transparency, 2 communication, coordination, and collaboration between all 3 branches of government is necessary to develop and implement 4 solutions for survivors. In total, more than \$1,000,000,000, or 5 ten per cent, of the general fund budget may be necessary to 6 respond to this disaster. The legislature further finds that to support response and 8 recovery efforts and address immediate 2023 wildfire funding 9 needs, the governor, through the seventh emergency proclamation 10 relating to wildfires, dated September 8, 2023, and executive memorandum no. 23-08, redirected \$172,800,000 from selected 11 12 general fund operating appropriations from Act 164, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, originally intended for specific purposes and 13 14 capital improvement projects, to the department of budget and 15 finance. The department of budget and finance subsequently 16 transferred the \$172,800,000 to the major disaster fund and **17** other purposes, along with another \$30,000,000 that the governor 18 authorized pursuant to section 5 of Act 164, Session Laws of 19 Hawaii 2023. With the existing \$5,000,000 major disaster fund 20 appropriation, a total of \$199,100,000 has been allocated to the 21 major disaster fund for initial wildfire response and recovery,

- 1 including the expected State's share of noncongregate housing
- 2 and debris clean-up costs initially being paid by the Federal
- 3 Emergency Management Agency. These steps provided what was
- 4 thought to be sufficient funding for the State to address the
- 5 expected fiscal year 2023-2024 response and recovery expenses as
- 6 of the beginning of January 2024.
- 7 The legislature additionally finds that the federal
- 8 government has allocated \$2,000,000,000 to address recovery
- 9 efforts in Hawaii. This allocation requires Federal Emergency
- 10 Management Agency approval before it can be spent. As of
- 11 April 1, 2024, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has
- 12 approved the expenditure of \$205,470,522 on noncongregate
- 13 housing.
- 14 The legislature further finds that the Federal Emergency
- 15 Management Agency executed the contract for debris clean-up
- 16 costs, and the State executed the contracts for noncongregate
- 17 housing and related expenses for room and board of wildfire
- 18 victims displaced from their homes. The State's expenses for
- 19 noncongregate housing and other expenses, including expenses for
- 20 individuals impacted by the wildfires who have been classified
- 21 as not eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency

1 assistance, are expected to exceed the amounts previously transferred to the major disaster fund. Because the State 2 3 executed these contracts, the State is responsible for making 4 payment and will seek reimbursement from the Federal Emergency 5 Management Agency for eligible costs. Issues have recently 6 arisen over what costs are deemed eligible, and the timeline 7 under which the State will be reimbursed for eligible costs is not clear. The State will require additional funds to cover 8 9 these immediate expenses in the current fiscal year 2023-2024. 10 The legislature further finds that the immediate expenses 11 in fiscal year 2023-2024 that the State may be obligated to provide totals \$1,018,967,788, including: 12 13 \$500,000,000 for noncongregate Federal Emergency (1)14 Management Agency eligible and Federal Emergency 15 Management Agency ineligible housing; 16 (2) \$135,512,492 for the State's share of mission 17 assignment and federal assistance expenses; 18 (3) \$123,680,797 for Federal Emergency Management Agency 19 ineligible transitional housing and rental assistance;

1	(4) \$194,774,499 for potential Federal Emergency						
2	Management Agency ineligible state expenses made by						
3	various state agencies; and						
4	(5) \$65,000,000 for a victim relief fund.						
5	The legislature further finds that uncertainty with the						
6	status of Federal Emergency Management Agency eligible and						
7	ineligible expenses remain, making accurate appropriation an						
8	extreme challenge.						
9	The purpose of this part is to make an emergency						
10	appropriation to cover the State's immediate expenses incurred						
11	in the Hawaii wildfires disaster response efforts, ensuring tha						
12	critical state programs retain their funding, appropriated by						
13	the legislature, necessary for their continued operation.						
14	SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general						
15	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$292,400,000 or so						
16	much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 to						
17	the department of budget and finance, departmental						
18	administration and budget division (BUF101), for expenses						
19	related to Federal Emergency Management Agency ineligible						
20	noncongregate housing and other costs relating to the provision						
21	of food, housing, or other assistance for individuals affected						

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- 1 by the Hawaii wildfires disaster that began on August 8, 2023;
- 2 provided that \$72,500,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary
- 3 may be transferred to the department of human services for
- 4 Federal Emergency Management Agency ineligible housing and other
- 5 costs relating to the provision of food, housing, or other
- 6 assistance for individuals affected by the Hawaii wildfires
- 7 disaster that began on August 8, 2023; provided that any
- 8 unexpended or unencumbered balance shall lapse to the general
- 9 fund on June 30, 2024.
- 10 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 11 budget and finance for the purposes of this part.
- 12 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
- 13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$28,000,000 or so
- 14 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 to
- 15 the department of budget and finance, departmental
- 16 administration and budget division (BUF101), for services,
- 17 goods, or construction that are eligible for partial federal
- 18 reimbursement to a state, local, territorial, or tribal (SLTT)
- 19 government via the Federal Emergency Management Agency public
- 20 assistance program or individual assistance program for
- 21 individuals affected by the Hawaii wildfires disaster that began

- 1 on August 8, 2023. For the purposes of this section, "eligible"
- 2 means that the services, goods, or construction for which funds
- 3 are used are delineated as eligible for reimbursement to SLTT
- 4 governments in the public assistance program and policy guide or
- 5 successor document, or the individual assistance program and
- 6 policy guide or successor document; provided that any unexpended
- 7 or unencumbered balance shall lapse to the general fund on
- **8** June 30, 2024.
- 9 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 10 budget and finance for the purposes of this Act.
- 11 SECTION 5. Any law to the contrary notwithstanding, the
- 12 department of budget and finance and department of human
- 13 services shall submit the following information associated with
- 14 the Hawaii wildfires disaster that began on August 8, 2023, to
- 15 the legislature on the seventh day of each month:
- 16 (1) The date of expenditures;
- 17 (2) The amount of expenditures made, separately for
- 18 Federal Emergency Management Agency eligible and
- 19 Federal Emergency Management Agency ineligible
- 20 expenses;
- 21 (3) The purpose of expenditures;

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	(4)	Anv	contracts	executed	for	the	expenditure	of	funds:

- 2 (5) The liquidation date for all contracts or liabilities;
- 3 and
- 4 (6) A detailed explanation of the public purposes served
 5 by the expenditure of resources; provided that the
 6 governor shall submit to the legislature a summary
 7 report containing the aforementioned information for
 8 the previous twelve month period from December 1 to
 9 November 30 no later than thirty days prior to the
 10 convening of the regular session of 2025.

11 PART II

SECTION 6. The legislature finds that the State's

contribution of public funds to the one ohana bank trust account

is for the compromise and settlement of claims to compensate

individuals or their personal representatives affected by

serious physical injury or death caused by the Maui wildfires

and serves a public purpose.

The purpose of this part is to make an emergency

appropriation to fund the State's contribution to the one ohana

bank trust account for the compromise and settlement of claims

caused by the Maui wildfires.

1	SECT	TION 7. The legislature finds and declares that the
2	contribut	ion of state moneys to the one ohana bank trust account
3	under thi	s Act for the compromise and settlement of claims is in
4	the publi	c interest and for the public health, safety, and
5	general w	relfare of the State for the following reasons:
6	(1)	The State recognizes the devastating impact of the
7		Maui wildfires on its residents, resulting in physical
8		injury and loss of life;
9	(2)	It is imperative for the State to respond with
10		compassion and support for those affected by the Maui
11		wildfires, ensuring that victims or their personal
12		representatives are provided with fair and just
13		compensation on a timely basis;
14	(3)	The State's contribution to the one ohana bank trust
15		account is for the compromise and settlement of claims
16		for those who have lost loved ones or suffered serious
17		physical injuries in the Maui wildfires; provided that
18		participation in seeking compensation from the one
19		ohana bank trust account is purely voluntary;
20	(4)	The legislature recognizes that contributors to the
21		one ohana bank trust account besides the State

1		include, among others, the county of Maui, Hawaiian
2		Electric Company, the Kamehameha Schools, Charter
3		Communications/Spectrum, Hawaiian Telcom, and the West
4		Maui Land Company;
5	(5)	The legislature recognizes the one ohana bank trust
6		account as an efficient mechanism to address this
7		urgent and exceptional situation and understands the
8		one ohana bank trust account's unique ability to
9		provide assistance to those in need;
10	(6)	The legislature recognizes the complexity and
11		challenges of tort litigation and finds it prudent to
12		provide an alternative through the one ohana bank
13		trust account of streamlining the compensation process
14		for those impacted by the Maui wildfires;
15	(7)	The legislature finds that it is in the public
16		interest to encourage swift and fair resolution to
17		claims arising from the Maui wildfires, thus
18		alleviating the burden on the judicial system and
19		fostering community support, unity, and recovery in
20		the aftermath of the Maui wildfires; and

1	(8) The legislature recognizes that individuals seeking
2	compensation from the one ohana bank trust account
3	will be required to release the contributing parties
4	to the fund from further liability and are willingly
5	waiving their rights to pursue damages through tort
6	litigation for wrongful death or personal injury
7	claims, contributing to a more efficient resolution
8	process.
9	Consequently, the legislature finds and declares that the
10	public purpose is served by authorizing the expenditure of
11	public moneys as the State's contribution to the one ohana bank
12	trust account for the compromise and settlement of claims to
13	provide an alternative for compensation to any individual who
14	was physically injured, or personal representative of a deceased
15	individual who suffered serious physical injury or died, as a
16	result of the Maui wildfires, thus offering a timely and
17	compassionate resolution to those affected by the Maui wildfires
18	while relieving the burden on the judicial system and
19	contributing to the rebuilding of lives and community.
20	SECTION 8. Any individual who receives compensation from
21	the one ohana bank trust account under this Act shall waive the

1 right to sue for damages related to physical injury or death resulting from the Maui wildfires, recognizing the one ohana 2 3 bank trust account as an alternative to tort litigation. 4 SECTION 9. The department of the attorney general shall 5 submit a report to the legislature no later than twenty days 6 prior to the convening of each regular session on: 7 A listing of claims and the amounts paid by the one 8 ohana bank trust account for the calendar year; 9 A listing of the administrative costs incurred by the (2) 10 one ohana bank trust account for the calendar year; 11 and A listing of contributors and their contribution 12 (3) 13 amounts to the one ohana bank trust account received 14 during the calendar year. SECTION 10. There is appropriated out of the general 15 16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$65,000,000 or so **17** much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 to 18 fund the State's contribution to the one ohana bank trust

account for the compromise and settlement of claims to

compensate individuals or personal representatives affected by

serious physical injury or death caused by the Maui wildfires;

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- 1 provided that the moneys appropriated in this section shall not
- 2 lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation
- 3 is made; provided further that any moneys that remain
- 4 unencumbered on June 30, 2025, shall lapse on that date;
- 5 provided further that upon closure of the one ohana bank trust
- 6 account, the remaining balance after the settlement of all
- 7 administrative costs shall be returned to the contributors to
- 8 the one ohana bank trust account in proportion to their
- 9 contributions with the State's proportionate contribution being
- 10 returned to the general fund.
- 11 SECTION 11. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the
- 12 department of the attorney general for the purposes of this
- 13 part.
- 14 PART III
- 15 SECTION 12. Act 247, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, is
- 16 amended by amending section 1 to read as follow:
- "[SECTION 1. The director of finance is authorized to
- 18 issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$300,000,000 or so
- 19 much thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much
- 20 thereof as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year
- 21 2022-2023 for the other post-employment benefits trust fund



1	governed	by section 87A-42, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to pay or
2	prepay th	e-State's other post-employment benefits liability;
3	provided	that:
4	(1)	The appropriation made for this transaction as
5		authorized by this section shall not lapse at the end
6		of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is
7		made;
8	(2)	All moneys from the appropriation unencumbered as of
9		June 30, 2024, shall lapse as of that date; and
10	(3)	The general obligation bonds authorized by this
11		section shall be issued in the sole discretion of the
12		director of finance; provided that:
13		(A) To determine the annual required contribution, a
14		preliminary annual required contribution to the
15		trust fund shall be developed that treats the
16		outstanding bond balance as part of the trust
17		fund's unfunded actuarial accrued liability. The
18		net cash contribution required to be contributed
19		to the trust fund shall be the greater of:

1		-((i)	The preliminary annual required contribution
2				less the related general obligation bond
3				payment for the respective year; or
4		-(ii)	The annual required contribution amount
5				calculated under section 87A-42(f)(2), Hawaii
6				Revised Statutes, without any special
7				consideration-given to the outstanding
8				balance of the general obligation bonds or
9 .				any related general obligation bond
10				payments, for the respective year;
11	-(-	B) E	ntit	ics shall only be permitted to issue general
12		0	bli g	ration bonds if the all-in true interest cost
13		0	f-th	e bonds is at least three hundred basis
14		q	oint	s less than the assumed rate of return of
15		ŧ	he t	rust fund, to which the proceeds will be
16		e	ontr	ibuted;
17	+	C) G	ener	al obligation bonds shall not be issued as a
18		m	eans	for addressing budget shortfalls related to
19		e	ontr	ibutions required by law; and
20	-(-	D)	ener	al obligation bonds shall only be issued as
21		a	mea	ns to produce long-term savings. Repealed."

- 1 SECTION 13. Act 115, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, section
- 2 4, as amended by Act 35, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, section 5,
- 3 in the amount of \$300,000,000, or balance thereof, general funds
- 4 unallotted, allotted, encumbered, and unrequired, is hereby
- 5 lapsed.
- 6 PART IV
- 7 SECTION 14. The legislature finds that under existing law,
- 8 federal reimbursement moneys, such as funds to be provided by
- 9 the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the wildfire
- 10 disaster, are generally deposited into a trust account of the
- 11 major disaster fund and reimbursed to the originating fund of
- 12 the expending agency incurring the cost. If the originating
- 13 funds have lapsed by the time reimbursement is received, then
- 14 they are reimbursed to the general fund. Only a small amount is
- 15 allowed to roll over to the next fiscal year and remain
- 16 available in the major disaster fund.
- Due to the size and scope of the wildfire disaster,
- 18 disaster recovery efforts are expected to continue for several
- 19 years. However, the State has been informed that Federal
- 20 Emergency Management Agency reimbursements of amounts outlaid by
- 21 the State via the major disaster fund are not expected to be

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- 1 paid on a predictable schedule during any given fiscal year,
- 2 regardless of when the State incurs the expense.
- 3 The purpose of this part is to facilitate the continued
- 4 provision of assistance to wildfire victims and ongoing wildfire
- 5 recovery efforts by temporarily lifting various restrictions on
- ${f 6}$ the use of funds for these purposes and extending the lapse date
- 7 of certain funds set aside for wildfire response.
- 8 SECTION 15. Section 127A-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 "\$127A-16 Major disaster fund. (a) The administrator
- 11 shall submit requests to the legislature to appropriate from the
- 12 general revenues of the State sufficient moneys as may be
- 13 necessary for expenditure by or under the direction of the
- 14 governor for immediate relief in response to an emergency or
- 15 disaster in any part of the State; provided that:
- 16 (1) The governor has issued a proclamation of a state of
- 17 emergency;
- 18 (2) The governor shall not expend in excess of \$10,000,000
- for immediate relief as a result of any single
- 20 emergency or disaster; and

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1	(3) In addition to the funds in paragraph (2), an
2	additional \$5,000,000 may be made available solely for
3	the purpose of matching federal disaster relief funds
4	when these funds become available to the State
5	following a presidential disaster declaration.
6	In expending the moneys, the governor may allot any portion
7	thereof to any agency, office, or employee of the State or a
8	county for the most efficient relief for the population.
9	Notwithstanding this subsection, the only exception to
10	paragraphs (1) , (2) , and (3) is that the administrator may use
11	up to \$250,000 per year to support the emergency management
12	reserve corps.
13	(b) No later than sixty days after any allotment by the
14	governor or the expenditure of any fund moneys, the
15	administrator shall report to the legislature on the purpose of
16	the allotment or expenditure.
17	(c) Except as provided in [subsection (d), subsections
18	(d) and (e), federal reimbursement moneys for disaster relief
19	shall be deemed to be trust moneys and shall be deposited into a
20	trust account with and under the control of the Hawaii emergency
21	management agency. Upon receipt by the Hawaii emergency

- 1 management agency, these moneys shall be reimbursed to the
- 2 originating fund of the expending agency; provided that if the
- 3 original appropriation has lapsed, the funds shall be returned
- 4 to the general fund.
- 5 (d) Federal reimbursement moneys for disaster relief for
- 6 the Hawaii wildfires disaster that began on August 8, 2023,
- 7 shall be deemed to be trust moneys and shall be deposited into
- 8 the Maui wildfire recovery trust fund, a trust account with and
- 9 under the control of the Hawaii emergency management agency.
- 10 These moneys and any interest earned thereon shall be used
- 11 solely for the state share of services, goods, or construction
- 12 that are eligible for partial federal reimbursement to a state,
- 13 local, territorial, or tribal (SLTT) government via the Federal
- 14 Emergency Management Agency public assistance program or
- 15 individual assistance program for individuals affected by the
- 16 Hawaii wildfires disaster that began on August 8, 2023, and
- 17 shall not lapse to the general fund.
- 18 For the purposes of this subsection, "eligible" means that
- 19 the services, goods, or construction for which funds are used
- 20 are delineated as eligible for reimbursement to SLTT governments
- 21 in the public assistance program and policy guide or successor

- 1 document, or the individual assistance program and policy guide
- 2 or successor document.
- 3 [$\frac{d}{d}$] (e) In cases in which the department of education
- 4 expends the funds appropriated to the department for purposes
- 5 deemed to be reimbursable by federal reimbursement moneys for
- 6 disaster relief, the federal reimbursement moneys shall not
- 7 lapse to the general fund and shall be credited directly to the
- 8 department of education without regard to whether the original
- 9 appropriation has lapsed. Such funds shall carry over in
- 10 accordance with section 37-41.5(c).
- 11 $[\frac{(e)}{(e)}]$ (f) Any unspent funding under \$2,500,000 shall be
- 12 rolled over to the next fiscal year to support current and
- 13 future emergencies and disasters.
- 14 $\left[\frac{f}{f}\right]$ (g) Each state department and agency shall submit to
- 15 the administrator no later than August 1 of each year a report
- 16 of all funds expended, if any, for the prior fiscal year by the
- 17 state department and agency for disaster response. The report
- 18 shall include:
- 19 (1) The source of funds, including the name and account
- 20 number of the funding source;
- 21 (2) The amount and purpose of each expenditure; and

1	(3)	whether any programs, activities, or contracts were
2		reduced as a result of disaster response spending by
3		the state department and agency.
4	[-(g)	(h) The administrator shall submit an annual report
5	to the le	gislature no later than September 1 of each year on:
6	(1)	The amount of federal reimbursement moneys for
7		disaster response that the State could have applied
8		for during the prior fiscal year. The report shall
9		indicate the amount of federal reimbursement moneys
10		for disaster response broken down by department and
11		agency;
12	(2)	The amount of federal reimbursement moneys for
13		disaster response that the State applied for and the
14		amount received during the prior fiscal year. The
15		report shall indicate the amount of federal
16		reimbursement moneys for disaster response broken down
17		by department and agency;
18	(3)	The justification for any difference in the amount of
19		federal reimbursement moneys for disaster response
20		that the State was eligible for and the amount the
21		State applied for;

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1	(4)	The average amount of time between the submittal of an
2		application for a Federal Emergency Management Agency
3		reimbursement and receipt of the funds;
4	(5)	The number of disaster accounts opened for the prior
5		fiscal year; and
6	(6)	The information relating to the expenditure of funds
7		that is reported by each state department and agency
8		pursuant to subsection [(f).] <u>(g).</u> "
9	SECT	ION 16. Any law to the contrary notwithstanding, the
10	departmen	t of defense shall submit the following information
11	associate	d with the Hawaii wildfires disaster that began on
12	August 8,	2023, to the legislature on the seventh day of each
13	month:	
14	(1)	Date of federal reimbursements;
15	(2)	Amount of federal reimbursements;
16	(3)	Date of expenditures;
17	(4)	Amount of expenditures made;
18	(5)	Purpose of expenditures;
19	(6)	Any contracts executed for the expenditure of funds;
20		and

- 1 (7) Detailed explanation of the public purposes served by
- 2 the expenditure of resources.
- 3 Any law to the contrary notwithstanding, the governor shall
- 4 submit to the legislature a summary report containing the
- 5 aforementioned information for the previous twelve month period
- 6 from December 1 to November 30 no later than thirty days prior
- 7 to the convening of the regular session of 2025.
- 8 SECTION 17. Section 37-41.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 10 "(c) In addition to the five per cent retainage under
- 11 subsection (a), the department of education may retain any
- 12 appropriation received pursuant to section 127A-16(a) or as
- 13 reimbursement for disaster relief pursuant to section [127A-
- 14 $\frac{16(d)}{127A-16(e)}$ at the close of the fiscal year in which the
- 15 appropriation or reimbursement was received and the funds
- 16 retained shall not lapse until June 30 of the first fiscal year
- 17 of the next fiscal biennium. Such funds shall be considered as
- 18 separate and distinct from the funds the department of education
- 19 is authorized to retain pursuant to subsection (a)."
- 20 PART V

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- 1 SECTION 18. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
- 2 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and sections 37-91 and
- 3 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined
- 4 that the general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2023-
- 5 2024 has already been exceeded by \$1,052,793,893 or 9.8 per
- 6 cent. The appropriations contained in this Act will cause the
- 7 state general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2023-2024
- 8 to be further exceeded by \$385,400,000 or 13.0 per cent. This
- 9 declaration takes into account the additional general fund
- 10 appropriations authorized for fiscal year 2023-2024 in this Act
- 11 only. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure
- 12 ceiling are that:
- 13 (1) The appropriations made in this Act are necessary to
- 14 serve the public interest; and
- 15 (2) The appropriations made in this Act meet the needs
- addressed by this Act.
- 17 SECTION 19. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 19 SECTION 20. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000;
- 20 provided that on July 1, 2029, sections 15 and 16 of this Act
- 21 shall be repealed and sections 37-41.5(c) and 127A-16, Hawaii

- 1 Revised Statutes, shall be reenacted in the form in which they
- 2 read on the day prior to the effective date of this Act;
- 3 provided further that on July 1, 2029, any unencumbered trust
- 4 account moneys retained in the account to be used for the
- 5 recovery efforts from the Hawaii wildfires disaster that began
- 6 on August 8, 2023, pursuant to this Act, shall lapse to the
- 7 general fund on that date.

Report Title:

Maui Wildfires; Major Disaster Fund; Emergency Appropriations; Expenditure Ceiling

Description:

Makes emergency appropriations for certain FEMA-ineligible and FEMA-eligible costs related to the State's response to the August 2023 wildfires and to fund the One Ohana Bank Trust Account to compensate victims of the Maui wildfires. Repeals general obligation bond appropriation for the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund and Pension Accumulation Fund. Temporarily lifts various restrictions on the use of Major Disaster Relief moneys for Hawaii wildfire response and extends the lapse date of certain funds set aside for this purpose. Requires the department of defense and governor to submit reports on expenditures and federal reimbursements. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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