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H. B. 930.

A Bill for an Act Relating to Group Life Insurance and Making an Appropriation Therefor.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Add the following paragraph at the end of section 5A-3, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955:

“To the extent that contributions are provided for group life insurance benefits in section 5A-4, the fund shall also be used for the purpose of providing group life insurance benefits to employees.”

SECTION 2. Add the following paragraph before the last paragraph of section 5A-4, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955:

“Effective January 1, 1968 and every month thereafter, the State through the department of budget and finance shall pay to the fund a monthly contribution of \$2.25 for each employee to be used towards the payment of group life insurance benefits for each employee.”

SECTION 3. Add the following section after section 5A-13, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955:

“**Section 5A-13.1. Determine Group Life Insurance Benefits.** Pursuant to section 5A-4, the board shall provide group life insurance benefits to employees in the following manner:

(a) For those employees who are not participating in a group life insurance program of an employee organization (hereafter “nonparticipating employees”), the board shall determine a group life insurance benefit plan and eligibility requirements for such benefits based upon the contribution of \$2.25 per month per employee. Any rate credit or reimbursement from any carrier of any earnings or interest derived from the group life insurance plan of nonparticipating employees shall be used to improve the group life insurance benefits of nonparticipating employees.

(b) For those employees who participate in a group life insurance program of an employee organization, the board shall allot \$2.25 per month towards the purchase of group life insurance benefits under the group life insurance program of an employee organization, provided that no employee shall have more than one allotment of \$2.25 per month.”

SECTION 4. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the State the sum of \$385,763 or so much thereof as may be necessary to the department of budget and finance to cover the contributions of the State for group life insurance benefits as provided in chapter 5A, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, for the period January 1, 1968 and ending June 30, 1968.

SECTION 5. Construction and Severability. This Act shall be liberally construed in order to accomplish its purposes. If any part of the Act shall be declared unconstitutional, the remaining part shall be valid.

SECTION 6. Effective date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 22, 1967.)