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H.B. NO. 2752-86

A Bill for an Act Making an Appropriation for the "Dial Law" Program of the Hawaii Bar Association.

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

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to provide funds to enable the Hawaii Bar Association to offer free recorded information by telephone on a wide range of legal subjects.

The legislature finds that there is a need for free general legal information for members of the public with legal questions, and that the "Dial Law" service being proposed by the Hawaii Bar Association would provide useful legal information.

The "Dial Law" service would provide the people of Hawaii with easy telephone access to recordings about broad areas of law such as Family Law, Landlord/Tenant Law, Civil Rights, Bankruptcy, Employment Law, and Criminal Law. The legislature finds that "Dial Law" type systems have met

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with great success in other communities and may improve public access to, and understanding of, the legal system.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$22,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1986-1987, to support the "Dial Law" program of the Hawaii Bar Association; provided that no funds shall be made available under this Act unless the Hawaii Bar Association provides matching funds.

SECTION 3. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the judiciary for the purposes of this Act.

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

(Approved May 30, 1986.)

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