

ACT 343

S.B. NO. 515

A Bill for an Act Relating to Grants for Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that child abuse and neglect are a threat to the family unit and impose major expenses on society. The legislature further finds that there is a need to assist private and public agencies in identifying and establishing effective community-based educational and service programs for the prevention of child abuse and neglect. It is the intent of the legislature to reduce the need for state intervention and state expense with respect to child abuse and neglect, by increasing prevention projects and programs. It is further the intent of the legislature to create a

mechanism to encourage the development of innovative and effective programs to prevent child abuse and neglect.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$400,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal biennium 1987-1989, to be expended by the department of health for innovative community based educational or service projects or programs designed to prevent child abuse and neglect.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1987.

(Approved June 29, 1987.)