

**ACT 269**

S.B. NO. 2122

A Bill for an Act Making an Appropriation for the Social and Employment Services Incubator Project for the West Oahu Region.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that with the continual development of west Oahu into master-planned communities such as Kapolei and the Ewa Plain/West Beach projects, pressure for human services increase. Recognizing this, in 1990 under Act 325 the legislature provided funding for the establishment of the west Oahu social and employment services incubator project. The project established a board to review all studies conducted for individual communities in the west Oahu region and to inventory all social and employment service providers in the region. The board submitted a report to the 1991 legislature which included the following:

- (1) A summary of the needs assessments data and an inventory of current services in west Oahu;

- (2) Recommendations regarding social and employment services required to meet projected needs in Kapolei;
- (3) An implementation plan for the coordinated delivery of needed services and for the location of the service providers in a shared facility;
- (4) A projected budget required to implement the project;
- (5) Proposals for legislation necessary to facilitate the implementation; and
- (6) Recommendations regarding utilizing the social and employment service incubator project and board to plan and implement projects for other master-planned communities in the State.

The purpose of this Act is to provide funds necessary to support and begin implementation of the social and employment service incubator project for west Oahu and, by realigning the social and employment services incubator board, to facilitate such implementation.

The additional funding will allow the west Oahu project to:

- (1) Select a permanent site to house the project;
- (2) Computerize the common intake and referral system and develop a common information management system;
- (3) Identify and secure an interim site to implement a pilot project of the social and employment services incubator project in fiscal year 1992-1993; and
- (4) Inform community agencies and residents of the project's findings and recommendations and gather community input relating to the creation of the pilot project.

SECTION 2. Section 3 of Act 325, Session Laws of Hawaii 1990, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

“(a) There is established, within the department of labor and industrial relations, the social and employment services incubator project board, which shall be responsible for the planning and implementation of the social and employment services incubator project. The board shall be composed of fifteen voting members to be appointed by the governor as follows: the directors of health, human services, and labor and industrial relations, or their designated representatives; the superintendent of education or a designated representative; the [director of the office of state planning or a] comptroller or the comptroller's designated representative; one representative each from the city and county of Honolulu's Work Hawaii program, the office of Hawaiian affairs, the University of Hawaii, the West Oahu Employment Corporation, the Kamehameha Schools Na Hookama Program, the Honolulu Community Action Program, Inc., and Alu Like; and three residents from communities adjacent to the Kapolei site. The board shall elect a chairperson from among its members at its first meeting. The members shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary and actual expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties under this Act.”

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$125,536, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1991-1992, and the sum of \$130,813, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1992-1993, for implementation of the west Oahu social and employment services incubator project. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department of labor and industrial relations for the purposes of this Act.

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**SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1991.

(Approved June 14, 1991.)