A Bill for an Act Making an Appropriation for the Construction of a Model for the Collection of Data Regarding the Victims of Hate Crimes.

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

SECTION 1. In accordance with Section 9 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and sections 37-91 and 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the appropriation contained in this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 1992-1993 to be exceeded by \$50,000, or 0.0016 per cent. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure ceiling are that the appropriation made in this Act is necessary to serve the public interest and to meet the need provided for by this Act.

SECTION 2. The purpose of this Act is to create a model for the gathering of data and statistics on the nature and frequency of occurrence of hate crimes in Hawaii. Currently, statewide statistics are not available and, therefore, it is difficult to determine if statutory amendments or resource reallocations are needed to better deter these crimes.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1992-1993, for the development of a model for the specification and collection of data regarding crimes that are motivated by prejudice based on gender, sexual orientation, race, national origin, religion, age, and physical and/or mental disability. The moneys appropriated by this section shall be used for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the attorney general in the development of the model data collection mechanism. The attorney general shall submit the model, together with findings, recommendations, and any necessary implementing legislation, to the legislature twenty days before the convening of the regular session of 1993. In developing the model, the attorney general shall give appropriate consideration to the relationship between the model and uniform crime reporting, both as presently conducted and as it may be affected by future adoption of an incident based reporting system.

SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the attorney general for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1992.

(Approved June 29, 1992.)