

ACT 2

S.B. NO. 1596

A Bill for an Act Making an Emergency Appropriation for the State Workers' Compensation Program.

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

SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for immediate passage in accordance with section 9 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

SECTION 2. Act 289, Session Laws of Hawaii 1993, appropriated \$13,968,213 to the department of human resources for paying any claims against the State as required under chapter 386, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 1994, and ending June 30, 1995.

A critical funding emergency exists. The state workers' compensation fund will be exhausted by February 26, 1995, and the department will be unable to meet its fiscal obligation to provide for the health and welfare of state employees.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys to allow the State to meet its fiscal obligations under chapter 386, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$5,531,787, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1994-1995, for the payment of claims against the State as required by chapter 386, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of human resources development.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved March 20, 1995.)