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H.B. NO. 1719

A Bill for an Act Making Emergency Appropriations for the Randolph-Sheppard Revolving Account and for the Blind Shop Revolving and Handicraft Fund.

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. Item B-12 of section 3 of Act 218, Session Laws of Hawaii 1995, as amended by Act 287, Session Laws of Hawaii 1996, appropriated a certain designated sum to the department of human services for HMS 802 to be used for the Randolph-Sheppard blind vendor program and to the Blind Shop program beginning July 1, 1995, and ending June 30, 1997. The amounts appropriated are not adequate to operate the vending and blind shop programs for fiscal year 1996-1997. The amounts appropriated from the Randolph-Sheppard revolving account and the blind shop revolving and handicraft fund must be increased in order to meet the obligations under sections 347-12 and 347-12.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes. These obligations include providing benefits for blind vendors and paying clients of the blind shop wages commensurate with the requirements of the United States Department of Labor.

SECTION 3. In addition to other appropriations made for this same fiscal year, there are appropriated out of the Randolph-Sheppard revolving account the sum of \$54,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for fiscal year 1996-1997, and out of the blind shop revolving and handicraft fund the sum of \$38,690, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for fiscal year 1996-1997.

SECTION 4. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department of human services for the purposes of this Act.

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

(Approved May 2, 1997.)