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H.B. NO. 3032

A Bill for an Act Making an Emergency Appropriation for Public Safety.

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 328, Session Laws of Hawaii 1997, appropriated a certain designated sum to the department of public safety to provide funds for the operations of its programs for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 1997, and ending June 30, 1998.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys to enable the department of public safety to manage its population by transferring an additional three hundred inmates to out-of-state correctional facilities, thereby preventing the release of potentially dangerous criminal offenders because of the lack of space and the

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shutdown of activities at our correctional facilities, which could potentially lead to the filing of lawsuits.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$2,151,800 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1997-1998 for the sole purpose of transferring three hundred inmates to correctional facilities in other states.

SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of public safety for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 5. Appropriated funds shall not be used to house inmates in facilities that are under a federal consent decree.

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 7, 1998.)