ACT 139

S.B NO. 2112

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Waianae Coast Community Benchmarking Pilot Project.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature established the Waianae coast community benchmarking pilot project in Act 314, Session Laws of Hawaii 1997, to further benchmarking efforts to develop the economy and improve the quality of life on the Waianae coast. Various private organizations including the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, the Aloha United Way, the Business Roundtable, the Hawaii Community Foundation, the Hawaii Community Services Council, and the Polynesian Voyaging Society have participated in the benchmarking pilot process. However, the process was not financially supported by the legislature under Act 314 in 1997. In addition, the private organizations involved have expended their own funds to provide technical support to the process. The legislature finds that without legislative support through appropriations, the benchmarking pilot project will not succeed.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to support the benchmarking pilot project and to extend the duration of the project for three years until June 30,

2003.

SECTION 2. Act 314, Session Laws of Hawaii 1997, is amended by amending section 4 to read as follows:

"SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval and shall be repealed on June 30, [2000.] 2003."

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$2, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2000-2001, to support the work of the Waianae coast community benchmarking pilot project established in Act 314, Session Laws of Hawaii 1997, as follows:

(1) \$1 for the various subprojects of the benchmarking pilot project; and

ACT 139

(2) \$1 as a grant-in-aid to fund the Hawaii Community Services Council for the provision of technical support to the benchmarking pilot project.

SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval, except that sections 3 and 4 shall take effect on July 1, 2000, and section 2 shall take effect on June 29, 2000.

(Approved May 30, 2000.)