

ACT 57

S.B. NO. 585

A Bill for an Act Relating to State Funds.

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. The legislature intends that a percentage of the moneys received by the department of health from the tobacco settlement moneys be transferred to the department of human services to provide health care coverage to children under nineteen who are eligible under its children's health insurance program. However, tobacco settlement moneys which were to be used in fiscal years 2000-2001, and 2001-2002, to provide health care coverage to children under nineteen, who were eligible under medical assistance programs administered by the department of human services, were not fully expended. The funds remain in the Hawaii tobacco settlement special fund and may be used for payments to health care providers programs administered by the department of human services.

Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate the unexpended, accumulated funds from the Hawaii tobacco settlement special fund for the department of human services to use for children's health programs for fiscal year 2002-2003.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the Hawaii tobacco settlement special fund the sum of \$6,259,886, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2002-2003, to be transferred from the department of health to the

department of human services. Notwithstanding section 328L-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of human services for children's health programs.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 15, 2003.)