ACT 172

H.B. NO. 1029

A Bill for an Act Making an Appropriation for the Department of Defense.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there is no reliable and effective method of communicating important information to Hawaii's military veterans and their families. This prevents veterans from all branches of the military from being informed of important outreach services, upcoming veteran-related events in the community, and the dates of various military ceremonies.

Presently, the office of veterans' services of the department of defense lacks sufficient funds to publish a newsletter that would disseminate this important information to military veterans and their families.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys to enable the office of veterans' services to publish the Hawaii veterans' newsletter and update the veterans' database.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$30,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2005-2006, to publish the Hawaii veterans' newsletter and update the office of veterans' services database.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of defense for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2005.

(Approved June 29, 2005.)