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S.B. NO. 2575

A Bill for an Act Making an Appropriation for a Baseline Environmental Study of the Waianae Coast Ocean Area.

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

SECTION 1. In 2005, the legislature found that the growing population of west Oahu and the visitor industry are affecting the traditional uses of the area along the Waianae coast, and are having cumulative economic, environmental, social, and cultural effects on the many communities along that coastline.

Accordingly, through Act 6, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, the legislature mandated the department of land and natural resources to prepare a baseline environmental study as an informational document to be used to establish the boundaries of an ocean recreation management area and to draft ocean recreation management area rules. However, limited state resources prohibited funding for the baseline environmental study at that time.

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The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys for the completion of a baseline environmental study of the Waianae coast ocean area.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$120,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 for the completion of a baseline environmental study of the Waianae coast ocean area in accordance with Act 6, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2005.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

(Became law on July 11, 2006, without the Governor's signature, pursuant to Art. III, §16, State Constitution.)