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H.B. NO. 1372

A Bill for an Act Making an Emergency Appropriation to the Department of Health for the Emergency Medical Services and Injury Prevention System Branch.

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. Although funds were appropriated to the department of health for emergency medical services for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007, a critical funding emergency now exists.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate additional funds for emergency aeromedical services on Oahu.

An additional \$1,444,828 in general funds for fiscal year 2006-2007 is required to pay for emergency aeromedical services on Oahu. This emergency appropriation is necessary to cover the reimbursement costs associated with the delivery of service by the Hawaii Army National Guard in providing emergency aeromedical services that were previously provided by the United States Army.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,444,828 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, to reimburse costs associated with the delivery of service by the Hawaii Army National Guard or other provider.

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

SECTION 4. In accordance with section 9 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and sections 37-91 and 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2006-2007 (established at \$5,357,987,705 on November 8, 2006) has already been exceeded by \$90,137,694 or 1.68 per cent. The appropriations contained in this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2006-2007 to be exceeded by an additional \$1,444,828 or an additional 0.027 per cent. The calculation contained in the foregoing sentence relates only to the amount of general funds appropriated in this Act for fiscal year 2006-2007. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure ceiling are that the appropriations made in this Act are necessary to serve the public interest and to meet the needs provided for by this Act.

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SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 9, 2007.)