
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the national and
2 global economic crisis that began in the second half of 2008
3 caused significant economic problems for state departments and
4 various industries in the State including airline, cruise ship,
5 tourism, and construction industries. The legislature also
6 finds that the economic recession and declining tax revenues
7 caused budget cuts for many state-provided services and that a
8 substantial number of layoffs were reported by many Hawaii
9 businesses and state departments statewide, including the
10 agricultural sector and medical-services sector.

11 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys for the
12 hiring of public assistance overpayment investigators and
13 recovery workers to reduce the current outstanding balance of
14 \$50,000,000 in public welfare assistance overpayments.

15 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
17 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 for
18 the hiring of public assistance overpayment investigators



1 and recovery workers in the benefit, employment, and support
2 services office of the department of human services.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
4 human services for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.

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Report Title:

Welfare Overpayment Recovery; Investigators and Recovery Workers; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for the hiring of an unspecified number of welfare overpayment investigators and recovery workers in the benefit, employment, and support services office of DHS.

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