A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BOOKMOBILES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii state public 2 library bookmobiles serve an important function for residents of 3 the State. Bookmobile services enable all residents to receive library resources, especially those located in rural communities 4 5 where a public library is not located within close proximity. 6 Furthermore, the legislature finds that supporting bookmobile services will help the Hawaii state public library system 7 8 fulfill its mission to "provide Hawaii's residents, in all walks 9 of life, and at each stage of their lives, with access to 10 education, information, programs and services, and to teach and 11 nurture the love of reading and the habit of life-long learning." Bookmobiles help accomplish the library's mission by 12 assisting schools, rural communities, the elderly, and other 13 14 residents who do not have easy access to a local public library. 15 Hawaii state public library bookmobiles, with the exception 16 of a bookmobile in Wailuku on the island of Maui and another on

the island of Molokai, remain unused in many communities.

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- 1 Bookmobile vehicles wear down quickly when they are not used and
- 2 their repair costs increase with time.
- 3 The legislature finds that a valuable benefit to the
- 4 residents of Hawaii is lost when bookmobiles are out of service.
- 5 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to support
- 6 bookmobile services to provide library services to all residents
- 7 of Hawaii.
- 8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so much
- 10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and the
- 11 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
- 12 2008-2009, to support the Hawaii state public library
- 13 bookmobiles.
- 14 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 15 of education for the purposes of this Act.
- 16 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

Bookmobiles

Description:

Appropriates funds for Hawaii state public library bookmobile services.

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