



**GOV. MES NO. 937**

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
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GOVERNOR

June 14, 2007

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on June 14, 2007, the following bill was signed into law:

HB964 HD1 SD2 CD2

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUBSTANCE  
ABUSE.  
(ACT 179)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James R. Aiona, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

JAMES R. AIONA, JR.  
Acting Governor

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 329B-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending the definitions of "substance abuse on-site  
3 screening test" and "substance abuse test" to read as follows:

4           "Substance abuse on-site screening test" means a portable  
5 substance abuse test that meets the requirements of the United  
6 States Food and Drug Administration for commercial distribution  
7 ~~[and is approved by the director for such pre-employment~~  
8 ~~screening.]~~ or is manufactured by a facility that is minimally  
9 certified as meeting the ISO 13485 standard established by the  
10 international organization for standardization and which may be  
11 used by an employer in the workplace.

12           "Substance abuse test" means any testing procedure designed  
13 to take and analyze body fluids or materials from the body for  
14 the purpose of measuring the amount of drugs, alcohol, or the  
15 metabolites of drugs in the sample tested. ~~[The term includes~~  
16 ~~any substance abuse on-site screening test designed to take and~~  
17 ~~analyze body fluids or materials from the body for the purpose~~

1 ~~of detecting the presence of drugs, alcohol, or the metabolites~~  
2 ~~of drugs in the sample tested.]~~

3 SECTION 2. Section 329B-5.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 " ~~[f]~~ §329B-5.5 ~~[f]~~ Substance abuse on-site screening tests,  
6 testing procedures, and confidentiality. The substance abuse  
7 on-site screening test shall be administered ~~[for pre-employment~~  
8 ~~purposes only]~~ according to the instructions of the manufacturer  
9 and this section:

- 10 (1) Every employer using a substance abuse on-site  
11 screening test ~~[for pre-employment screening shall~~  
12 ~~administer the test according to the United States~~  
13 ~~Food and Drug Administration package insert that~~  
14 ~~accompanies the substance abuse test, and shall adhere~~  
15 ~~to any applicable on-site screening drug test~~  
16 ~~guidelines adopted by the United States Food and Drug~~  
17 ~~Administration. Any on-site screening test shall also~~  
18 ~~be approved by the director for such pre-employment~~  
19 ~~screening,]~~ shall administer the test according to the  
20 package insert that accompanies the substance abuse  
21 on-site screening test;



1           (2) ~~[Every employer using a substance abuse on-site~~  
2           ~~screening test for pre-employment screening shall~~  
3           ~~adhere to the rules adopted pursuant to section 329B-8~~  
4           ~~pertaining to specimen collection, urine specimen,~~  
5           ~~shipping of specimens, chain of custody, and~~  
6           ~~confidentiality that may be applicable to on-site drug~~  
7           ~~testing,]~~ Any indication of the presence of drugs,  
8           alcohol, or the metabolites of drugs by the substance  
9           abuse on-site screening test shall not be used to deny  
10           or deprive a person of employment or any benefit, or  
11           result in any adverse action against the employee or  
12           prospective employee, unless a substance abuse test is  
13           conducted according to section 329B-5 and the  
14           requirements of paragraph (3) are met;

15           (3) ~~[If a substance abuse on-site screening test obtains a~~  
16           ~~test result that indicates the presence of drugs,~~  
17           ~~alcohol, or the metabolites of drugs, and if the test~~  
18           ~~result may be used to deny or deprive a person of~~  
19           ~~employment or any benefit, or may otherwise result in~~  
20           ~~an adverse action being taken against the person, then~~  
21           ~~the same sample that produced the test result shall be~~  
22           ~~submitted for a confirmatory test to a testing~~



1 ~~laboratory licensed or approved by the department in~~  
2 ~~accordance with this chapter. A positive confirmatory~~  
3 ~~test shall be reviewed by a medical review officer~~  
4 ~~licensed by the department in accordance with this~~  
5 ~~chapter, and] Upon the indication of the presence of~~  
6 drugs, alcohol, or the metabolites of drugs by the  
7 substance abuse on-site screening test, the employer  
8 shall have the employee or prospective employee report  
9 within four hours to a laboratory licensed by the  
10 department under section 329B-4 and be tested under  
11 section 329B-5. The employer shall bear the cost of  
12 the laboratory referral. An employee or prospective  
13 employee who fails to report for the substance abuse  
14 test may be denied or deprived of employment or any  
15 benefit, or have adverse action taken against the  
16 employee or prospective employee for refusing or  
17 failing to report for the substance abuse test;  
18 provided that the employer has provided to the  
19 employee or prospective employee written notice  
20 stating that:



- 1           (A) At the time of the substance abuse on-site
- 2                   screening test, the employer followed the
- 3                   procedures under section 329B-5.5;
- 4           (B) The employee or prospective employee was informed
- 5                   that the employee or prospective employee may
- 6                   refuse to submit to the substance abuse test; and
- 7           (C) If the employee or prospective employee refuses
- 8                   or fails to submit to the substance abuse test,
- 9                   the employer may take adverse employment action
- 10                  against the employee or prospective employee;
- 11           (4) The operator who administers the substance abuse on-
- 12                  site screening test shall have been trained in the use
- 13                  and administering of the on-site screening test by the
- 14                  manufacturer of the on-site screening test or the
- 15                  manufacturer's designee[-]; and
- 16           (5) Any information concerning the substance abuse on-site
- 17                  screening test shall be strictly confidential. Such
- 18                  information shall not be released to anyone without
- 19                  the informed written consent of the individual tested
- 20                  and shall not be released or made public upon subpoena
- 21                  or any other method of discovery, except that
- 22                  information relating to a positive on-site screening



1           test result of an individual shall be disclosed to the  
2           individual, a third party, the laboratory to which the  
3           individual is referred, and the decision maker in a  
4           lawsuit, grievance, or other proceeding initiated by  
5           or on behalf of the individual tested and arising from  
6           the positive on-site screening test result."

7           SECTION 3. Section 378-32, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
8 amended to read as follows:

9           "§378-32 Unlawful suspension, discharge, or  
10 discrimination. It shall be unlawful for any employer to  
11 suspend, discharge, or discriminate against any of the  
12 employer's employees:

13           (1) Solely because the employer was summoned as a  
14 garnishee in a cause where the employee is the debtor  
15 or because the employee has filed a petition in  
16 proceedings for a wage earner plan under Chapter XIII  
17 of the Bankruptcy Act; or

18           (2) Solely because the employee has suffered a work injury  
19 which arose out of and in the course of the employee's  
20 employment with the employer and which is compensable  
21 under chapter 386 unless the employee is no longer  
22 capable of performing the employee's work as a result



1 of the work injury and the employer has no other  
 2 available work which the employee is capable of  
 3 performing. Any employee who is discharged because of  
 4 the work injury shall be given first preference of  
 5 reemployment by the employer in any position which the  
 6 employee is capable of performing and which becomes  
 7 available after the discharge and during the period  
 8 thereafter until the employee secures new employment.  
 9 This paragraph shall not apply to any employer in  
 10 whose employment there are less than three employees  
 11 at the time of the work injury or who is a party to a  
 12 collective bargaining agreement which prevents the  
 13 continued employment or reemployment of the injured  
 14 employee; [ex]

15 (3) Because the employee testified or was subpoenaed to  
 16 testify in a proceeding under this part[-]; or

17 (4) Because an employee tested positive for the presence  
 18 of drugs, alcohol, or the metabolites of drugs in a  
 19 substance abuse on-site screening test conducted in  
 20 accordance with section 329B-5.5; provided that this  
 21 provision shall not apply to an employee who fails or



1           refuses to report to a laboratory for a substance  
2           abuse test pursuant to section 329B-5.5."

3           SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

5           SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

APPROVED this 14 day of JUN , 2007



JAMES R. AIONA JR.

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

