
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

1 SECTION 1. **Hawaii health commission; establishment.** (a)

2 There is established within the department of budget and finance
3 for administrative purposes the Hawaii health commission. The
4 commission shall be an autonomous public body corporate and
5 politic and an instrumentality of the State.

6 (b) The commission shall be composed of nine members
7 appointed by the governor as provided in section 26-34; provided
8 that three members shall be appointed from a list of nominees
9 submitted by the speaker of the house of representatives and
10 three members shall be appointed from a list of nominees
11 submitted by the president of the senate. All members shall be
12 appointed for terms of four years each.

13 (c) An executive director shall be selected by the
14 members.

15 (d) Each member shall hold office until the member's
16 successor is appointed and qualified.



1 (e) Five members shall constitute a quorum, whose
2 affirmative vote shall be necessary for all valid actions by the
3 commission.

4 SECTION 2. **Duties and responsibilities.** (a) The
5 commission shall be responsible for overall health planning for
6 the state and shall be responsible for determining future
7 capacity needs of health providers, facilities, equipment, and
8 support services providers.

9 (b) The commission shall develop a comprehensive health
10 plan that includes:

- 11 (1) Determination of eligibility for inclusion in a health
12 plan for all individuals;
- 13 (2) Determination of all reimbursable services to be paid
14 by the commission;
- 15 (3) Determination of all approved providers of services in
16 a health plan for all individuals;
- 17 (4) Evaluation of the quality and cost-effectiveness of
18 all aspects of a health plan for all individuals; and
- 19 (5) Establishment of a budget for a health plan for all
20 individuals in the state.



1 (c) The commission may seek waivers of federal law, rule,
2 or regulation necessary to implement and maintain the provisions
3 of this chapter.

4 (d) The commission shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter
5 91 necessary for the purposes of this chapter.

6 (e) The commission shall submit to the legislature, no
7 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular
8 session of 2009, a comprehensive health plan for all individuals
9 in the state, including the commission's findings and
10 recommendations.

11 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
12 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
13 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 for the
14 operations of the Hawaii health commission.

15 The sum shall be expended by the department of budget and
16 finance for the purposes of this Act.

17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020;
18 provided that section 3 shall take effect on July 1, 2007;
19 provided further that sections 1 and 2 shall be repealed when
20 the Hawaii health commission has submitted the health plan
21 pursuant to section 2(e).



Report Title:

Universal Health Care

Description:

Establishes the Hawaii Health Commission to develop a health plan to provide healthcare coverage for all individuals in the state. Effective July 1, 2020. (HB56 HD3)

