
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING.

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

1 SECTION 1. Several years ago, when the federal Weed and
2 Seed initiative was in effect at the Mayor Wright homes public
3 housing complex, residents saw a significant change for the
4 better in their neighborhood. Recently, the complex has been
5 the site of a shooting and other disturbances involving tenants
6 and their neighbors. There have been several instances of
7 public drunkenness, excessive noise, and conflicts with
8 neighbors.

9 The purpose of this Act is to:

- 10 (1) Appropriate funds for improved security measures at
11 the Mayor Wright homes public housing complex,
12 including the contract hiring of at least three
13 security officers; and
- 14 (2) Require the Hawaii public housing authority to submit
15 a report to the legislature on the progress of
16 security improvements at Mayor Wright homes.

17 SECTION 2. The Hawaii public housing authority shall
18 submit a report to the legislature no later than twenty days



1 prior to the convening of the 2008 regular session on the
2 progress of security improvements at Mayor Wright homes. The
3 report shall include:

4 (1) Steps that have been taken to improve the safety and
5 security of the residents of Mayor Wright homes;

6 (2) Plans made with the management of Mayor Wright homes,
7 tenants, and other stakeholders to further improve
8 security;

9 (3) The amount of additional security guards required to
10 ensure the safety of the tenants and guests of Mayor
11 Wright homes on a twenty-four-hour basis; and

12 (4) Any other findings and recommendations, including
13 suggested legislation, regarding the security
14 situation at Mayor Wright homes.

15 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 and the
18 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
19 2008-2009 for the contract hiring of at least three full-time
20 security officers at Mayor Wright homes public housing complex.



1 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
2 public housing authority for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.



Report Title:

Public Housing; Security

Description:

Appropriates funds for improved security measures at the Mayor Wright homes public housing complex, including the contract hiring of at least three full-time security officers. Requires a progress report to the Legislature. (HB320 HD1)

