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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMUNITY SERVICES AND THE STATE HOMELESS PROGRAMS.

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

1	SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to streamline the
2	State's delivery of key human service programs by merging the
3	functions and duties of the office of community services of the
4	department of labor and industrial relations with those of the
5	homeless programs branch of the Hawaii public housing authority.
6	The two programs will be reestablished together as the office of
7	homeless and community services within the department of human
8	services. The establishment of this new office will enable
9	programs and services with related duties to work with greater
10	synergy and to serve as a more effective resource for the needy
11	clients and communities they serve.
12	SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by
13	adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read
14	as follows:
15	"CHAPTER
16	COMMUNITY SERVICES

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17 § -1 Findings and purpose. The State of Hawaii has long
18 been a leader among the states in the development of progressive
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- 1 and innovative undertakings on behalf of its neediest residents.
- 2 Securing the well-being of all of the State's citizens and
- 3 residents continues to be a policy objective deserving of the
- 4 highest priority.
- 5 As we commit a growing share of the State's resources to
- 6 programs and services to assist those at the lowest end of the
- 7 income scale, the homeless, the disadvantaged, refugees,
- 8 immigrants, and others in need, we also have the opportunity to
- 9 ensure that government resources are used prudently, in the most
- 10 cost-effective manner possible.
- 11 The State recognizes changes in societal attitudes, values,
- 12 and priorities which have produced new issues requiring
- 13 innovative approaches for their resolution.
- 14 The purpose of this chapter is to establish the office of
- 15 homeless and community services to be attached to the department
- 16 of human services for administrative purposes. The primary
- 17 purpose of the office is to facilitate and enhance the
- 18 development, delivery, and coordination of effective services
- 19 and programs for the most vulnerable individuals within the
- 20 State. The establishment of the office of homeless and
- 21 community services within the department of human services will:

1	(1)	Assist groups within local communities such as
2		disadvantaged persons, refugees, and immigrants who
3		have special and distinct needs;
4	(2)	Improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the
5		operations of the executive branch;
6	(3)	Improve responsiveness to the neediest residents of
7		Hawaii;
8	(4)	Provide timely, coordinated, comprehensive responses
9		to the needs of those who are homeless;
10	(5)	Respond to the growing number of homeless families and
11		individuals who are unable to find fixed, regular, and
12		adequate shelter;
13	(6)	Establish and govern the services and facilities of
14		the State's homeless programs and community services
15		through a single point of entry; and
16	(7)	Fix responsibility and accountability for successfully
17		carrying out programs, policies, and priorities of the
18		office.
19	S	-2 Definitions. In this chapter, unless the context
20	otherwise	requires:
21	"Don	or" means any individual, partnership, corporation,
22	joint-sto	ck company, unincorporated organization, foundation,
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1	estate, t	rust,	or any other person or firm that donates money,
2	real prop	erty,	goods, or services to a homeless facility, or any
3	other pro	gram	for the homeless authorized by this chapter,
4	including	memb	ers of any governing body, trustees, officers,
5	partners,	prin	cipals, stockholders, members, managers,
6	employees	, con	tractors, agents of these entities, or any person
7	who was i	nvolv	red with the donation.
8	"Eme	rgenc	y shelter" means a homeless facility designed to
9	provide t	empor	ary shelter and appropriate and available services
10	to homele	ss fa	milies or individuals for a specified period of
11	time.		
12	"Hom	eless	" means:
13	(1)	An i	ndividual or family who lacks a fixed, regular,
14		and	adequate night-time residence; or
15	(2)	An i	ndividual or family who has a primary night-time
16		resi	dence that is:
17		(A)	A supervised publicly or privately operated
18			shelter designed to provide temporary living
19			accommodations;
20		(B)	An institution that provides temporary residence
21			for individuals intended to be institutionalized;
22			or



1	(C) A public or private place not designed for or
2	ordinarily used as sleeping accommodations for
3	human beings.
4	The term "homeless" shall not include any individual
5	imprisoned or otherwise detained under an Act of Congress or a
6	state law.
7	"Homeless facility" means a development designed to provide
8	shelter for homeless families or individuals pursuant to this
9	chapter, or to facilitate any other homeless program authorized
10	by this chapter, and may include emergency or transitional
11	shelters.
12	"Homeless shelter stipend" means a payment to a provider
13	agency or to the office on behalf of a homeless family or
14	individual to assist with the costs of operating a homeless
15	facility and providing appropriate services.
16	"Office" means the office of homeless and community
17	services.
18	"Provider agency" means an organization, including its
19	governing board, officers, employees, contractors, or agents,
20	contracted by the office to provide labor and services to any
21	homeless facility, or any other program for the homeless
22	authorized by this chapter, that is:

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- 1 (1) A for-profit organization incorporated under the laws
 2 of the State or a nonprofit organization determined by
 3 the Internal Revenue Service to be exempt from the
 4 federal income tax; or
 5 (2) A nonprofit organization, with a governing board whose
- 5 (2) A nonprofit organization, with a governing board whose
 6 members have no material conflict of interest and who
 7 serve without compensation, with bylaws or policies
 8 that describe the manner in which business is
 9 conducted and policies that relate to nepotism and
 10 management of potential conflict of interest
 11 situations.
- "Transitional shelter" means a homeless facility designed
 to provide temporary shelter and appropriate and available
 services to homeless families or individuals for up to twentyfour months.
- 16 § -3 Office of homeless and community services;
- 17 establishment. (a) There is established within the department
 18 of human services, for administrative purposes only, an office
 19 of homeless and community services. The following shall be
 20 among the programs to be under the auspices of and coordinated
- 21 through the office:
- 22 (1) Progressive neighborhoods program;



1 (2) Hawaii office of economic opportunity; 2 Refugee resettlement program; (3) 3 State immigrant services center; and (4)(5) State homeless programs. The head of the office shall be known as the executive 5 (b) 6 director of the office of homeless and community services, 7 hereinafter referred to as executive director. The executive 8 director shall have: 9 (1) Training and experience in the field of social work, 10 education, public health, or related fields; 11 (2) Direct experience in programs and services related to disadvantaged persons, refugees, or immigrants; and 12 13 Experience in a supervisory, consultative, or (3) 14 administrative capacity. 15 The executive director shall be appointed by the governor 16 without regard to chapter 76, and shall be compensated at a 17 salary level no less than that of a second deputy. 18 executive director shall be included in any benefit program 19 generally applicable to the officers and employees of the State. 20 -4 General functions, duties, and powers of the

executive director. The executive director shall:

	(_ /)	betve as the principal orritoral in state government
2		responsible for the coordination of programs for low-
3		income, disadvantaged, and homeless persons; refugees;
4		and immigrants;
5	(2)	Oversee, supervise, and direct the performance by
6		subordinates of activities in such areas as planning,
7		evaluation, and coordination of programs for low-
8		income, disadvantaged, and homeless persons; refugees;
9		and immigrants and development of a statewide service
10		delivery network;
11	(3)	Assess the policies and practices of public and
12		private agencies impacting the disadvantaged and
13		conduct advocacy efforts on behalf of the office's
14		target populations;
15	(4)	Devise and recommend legislative and administrative
16		actions for the improvement of services for the
17		disadvantaged, homeless, refugees, and immigrants;
18	(5)	Serve as a member of advisory boards and panels of
19		state agencies in such areas as child development
20		programs, elder programs, social services programs,
21		homeless programs, public housing programs, health and

1		medical assistance programs, refugee assistance
2		programs, and immigrant services programs;
3	(6)	Administer funds allocated for the office of homeless
4		and community services; and apply for, receive, and
5		disburse grants and donations from all sources for
6		programs and services to assist low-income,
7		disadvantaged, and homeless persons; refugees; and
8		immigrants;
9	(7)	Adopt, amend, and repeal rules pursuant to chapter 91
10		for purposes of this chapter; provided that any rules
11		relating directly to homelessness authorized by any
12		statute, shall be exempt from the public notice,
13		public hearing, and gubernatorial approval
14		requirements of chapter 91, and shall take effect
15		immediately upon filing with the office of the
16		lieutenant governor;
17	(8)	Retain staff as may be necessary for the purposes of
18		this chapter, who shall be exempt from chapter 76; and
19	(9)	Contract for services as may be necessary for the
20		purposes of this chapter.

1 § -5 General duties of the office of homeless	and
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- 2 community services. The office of homeless and community
- 3 services shall:
- 4 (1) Establish statewide goals and objectives relating to
- 5 low-income, disadvantaged, and homeless persons;
- 6 refugees; and immigrants;
- 7 (2) Study facts concerning the needs of low-income,
- 8 disadvantaged, and homeless persons; refugees; and
- 9 immigrants in the State through adequate research
- 10 studies, the research to be carried on whenever
- possible through the departments or agencies of the
- state and county governments responsible for providing
- services in the fields of health, education, social
- welfare, employment, housing, homelessness, and
- related areas. Where the research cannot be done
- 16 within established agencies, it shall be carried out
- by the office or contracted by the office;
- 18 (3) Review legislation pertaining to programs within the
- 19 purview of the office and appropriations made for
- 20 services to low-income, disadvantaged, and homeless
- 21 persons; refugees; and immigrants, recommend revisions

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- (4) Evaluate the availability, adequacy, and accessibility of all services for low-income, disadvantaged, and homeless persons; refugees; and immigrants within the State;
- 7 (5) Assist and coordinate the efforts of all public and 8 private agencies that provide services that affect 9 low-income, disadvantaged, and homeless persons; 10 refugees; and immigrants including without limitation 11 to the generality of the foregoing the department of 12 health, the department of human services, the 13 department of labor and industrial relations, and the 14 department of education, and report such facts and the 15 office's recommendations to the governor and to the 16 legislature. The executive heads of all such 17 departments and agencies shall make available to the 18 office of homeless and community services information 19 as the office deems necessary for the effective 20 discharge of its duties under this chapter;
 - (6) Maintain contacts with local, state, and federal officials and public and private agencies concerned

1		with planning for the disadvantaged, refugees, low-
2		income, homeless, and immigrants; and
3	(7)	Encourage and foster local action on behalf of the
4		disadvantaged, refugees, low-income, homeless, and
5		immigrants; and
6	(8)	Administer and operate homeless facilities and any
7		other program for the homeless authorized by this
8		chapter; establish programs for the homeless; and
9	(9)	Take any other actions necessary to effectuate the
10		purposes of this chapter.
11	S	-6 Additional powers. Notwithstanding any law to the
12	contrary,	the office of homeless and community services shall
13	have and	may exercise the same powers, subject to applicable
14	limitatio	ns, as those granted the Hawaii public housing
15	authority	pursuant to chapter 356D insofar as those powers may
16	be reason	ably construed to be exercisable for the purpose of
17	establish	ing, administering, and operating homeless facilities
18	and any o	ther program for the homeless authorized by this
19	chapter.	
20	S	-7 Relationships with other departments and agencies

and cooperation with office of homeless and community services.

Every state department, county agency, or other public or

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1 private agencies providing programs and services to the 2 disadvantaged, refugees, low-income, homeless, and immigrants 3 shall be encouraged to actively work toward the goals and 4 objectives established by the office of homeless and community 5 services and to coordinate with the office of homeless and 6 community services the development of its program plans. The 7 executive heads of all such departments and agencies shall 8 cooperate with the office of homeless and community services in 9 providing information as the office deems necessary for the 10 effective discharge of its duties. However, nothing contained 11 in this chapter shall be deemed to delegate or detract in any 12 way from the functions, powers, and duties prescribed by law for 13 any other department or agency of this State or any county, nor 14 to terminate any existing contracts between such department or 15 agency and any private organizations for the development or 16 administration of programs or services to the disadvantaged, 17 homeless, refugees, and immigrants. Notwithstanding that each county shall maintain maximum control over the development and 18 19 administration of human service programs tailored to meet county 20 needs, each department, agency, officer, and employee of the 21 State and of the counties shall cooperate with and assist the

- 1 office of homeless and community services in the performance of
- 2 the functions, powers, and duties of the office.
- 3 § -8 Exception to liability for donors. (a) Any donor
- 4 who gives money to a provider agency, to a homeless facility to
- 5 or through the office, or for any other program for the homeless
- 6 authorized by this chapter, shall not be liable for any civil
- 7 damages resulting from the donation.
- 8 (b) Any donor who gives land and improvements, or who
- 9 leases land and improvements at a nominal consideration, to a
- 10 provider agency, to a homeless facility to or through the
- 11 office, or for any other program for the homeless authorized by
- 12 this chapter, shall not be liable for any civil damages
- 13 resulting from the donation except as may result from the
- 14 donor's gross negligence or wanton acts or omissions; provided
- 15 that, if the donor at the time of donation gave the office a
- 16 full accounting of all the dangers concerning the land and
- 17 improvements known to the donor, then the donor shall not be
- 18 liable for any civil damages resulting from the donation.
- 19 (c) Any donor who in good faith and without remuneration
- 20 or expectation of remuneration provides services or materials
- 21 used to build and construct a facility for the homeless, or who
- 22 renovates, repairs, or maintains an existing or acquired



- 1 facility for the homeless, or who provides shelter to homeless
- 2 persons, shall not be liable for any civil damages resulting
- 3 from the donor's acts or omissions, except for damages resulting
- 4 from the donor's gross negligence relating to the donation.
- 5 (d) The office shall be responsible for inspecting,
- 6 reviewing, analyzing, qualifying, and determining that the land,
- 7 structures, materials, or services donated to the office for use
- 8 by the office in facilities for the homeless are reasonably safe
- 9 for public use.
- 10 § -9 Contract or conveyance to the office.
- 11 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the board of land
- 12 and natural resources or other state agency holding lands and
- 13 improvements, may contract or otherwise convey at a nominal
- 14 consideration, by direct negotiation and without recourse to
- 15 public auction, the land and improvements, or the management,
- 16 operation, and administrative responsibility over the land and
- 17 improvements, to the office or its designee. The land and
- 18 improvements shall be used by the office or its designee for
- 19 homeless facilities or for any other program of the office of
- 20 homeless and community services as authorized by this chapter.
- 21 § -10 Program administration. To the extent that
- 22 appropriations are made available, the office may contract with



- 1 a provider agency to administer homeless facilities, or any
- 2 other program for the homeless created by this chapter. The
- 3 selection of provider agencies to administer homeless
- 4 facilities, or any other program for the homeless authorized by
- 5 this chapter, shall not be subject to chapters 42F, 102, 103,
- 6 and 103F. The selection of provider agencies shall be subject
- 7 to qualifying standards and criteria established by rule.
- 8 In addition, the provider agency shall be qualified by the
- 9 office to operate and manage a homeless facility, or any other
- 10 program for the homeless authorized by this chapter, pursuant to
- 11 standards and criteria established by rules for eligibility.
- 12 § -11 Time limits. To the extent that appropriations
- 13 are made available, a provider agency shall provide shelter or
- 14 any other program assistance authorized by this chapter to
- 15 eliqible homeless families and homeless individuals not later
- 16 than two days, or such time as is set by rule which shall not be
- 17 later than seven days, after they apply and qualify for the
- 18 shelter or other program assistance. These time limits may be
- 19 waived at the discretion of the office for a maximum period of
- 20 fourteen days for the purpose of implementing repairs to the
- 21 subject shelter that the office deems major or extensive.

- 1 § -12 Determination of eligibility and need. (a) The
- 2 provider agency operating and managing a homeless facility, or
- 3 any other program for the homeless authorized by this chapter,
- 4 or the office operating and managing its own homeless facility,
- 5 shall be responsible for determining if an applicant is eligible
- 6 for shelter or other services at the homeless facility or
- 7 through any other program for the homeless, pursuant to
- 8 standards and criteria established by rule.
- 9 (b) The provider agency or the office operating and
- 10 managing its own homeless facility shall determine the degree of
- 11 need for each homeless family or individual and in its
- 12 determination shall consider the resources available and the
- 13 number of potential eligible applicants in the area served by
- 14 the homeless facility or other program for the homeless
- 15 authorized by this chapter.
- 16 (c) The office may establish by rule standards and
- 17 criteria for eligibility, need, and priority for each program
- 18 for the homeless; provided that the office may establish by rule
- 19 exceptions to these eligibility requirements based on special
- 20 circumstances.
- 21 § -13 Abuse of assistance. (a) The provider agency
- 22 operating and managing a homeless facility, or any other program



- 1 for the homeless authorized by this chapter, or the office
- 2 operating and managing its own homeless facility, shall be
- 3 responsible for determining whether a participant is no longer
- 4 eligible for shelter or other services at the homeless facility
- 5 or through any other program for the homeless, pursuant to
- 6 standards and criteria established by rule.
- 7 (b) Pursuant to rule and the right of due process, the
- 8 office or its designee, or provider agencies together with the
- 9 office, may act to bar homeless families or individuals from
- 10 participating further in any homeless facility, may issue a writ
- 11 of possession, and take such other actions as provided by rule.
- 12 The enforcement of a writ of possession shall be effected
- 13 either by an officer appointed by the office, who shall have all
- 14 of the powers of a police officer for all action in connection
- 15 with the enforcement of the writ, or any other law enforcement
- 16 officer of the State or any county, whose duty it shall be to
- 17 enforce the writ. The person enforcing the writ shall remove
- 18 all persons from the premises and put the office or its
- 19 designee, or the provider agency designated by the office, in
- 20 full possession thereof.
- 21 Upon eviction, the household goods and personal effects of
- 22 the person against whom the writ is entered, and those of any



- 1 persons using the premises incident to the person's holding, may
- 2 be removed from the premises immediately and sold or otherwise
- 3 disposed of by the office or its designee, or the provider
- 4 agency. If the action is taken, the office or its designee, or
- 5 the provider agency, shall have a lien on the property so
- 6 removed for the expenses incurred by it in removing the
- 7 property.
- 8 (c) Any person who enters or remains unlawfully in or upon
- 9 the premises or living quarters of any homeless facility, or any
- 10 other program for the homeless authorized by this chapter, after
- 11 reasonable warning or request to leave by that provider agency's
- 12 agents, the office, or its designee, or a police officer, shall
- 13 be guilty of a misdemeanor; provided that the offense in this
- 14 subsection shall be in addition to any other applicable offense
- 15 in the Hawaii penal code. A warning or request shall only be
- 16 issued if the person has engaged in unlawful conduct or has
- 17 violated house rules and regulations; provided that the warning
- 18 or request related to a violation of house rules shall be issued
- 19 only if that provider agency, or the office, or its designee,
- 20 has filed a copy of its current house rules governing tenancy or
- 21 participation at the shelter, facility, or program, and any
- 22 changes thereto, with the director of commerce and consumer





- 1 affairs. The house rules shall be reasonable and a copy shall
- 2 be provided to each tenant or participant. The warning or
- 3 request shall supersede any invitation by a tenant or
- 4 participant at the shelter, facility, or program to that person
- 5 to visit the premises or living quarters.
- 6 § -14 Exemptions. (a) Any compensation received by a
- 7 provider agency for services rendered to homeless families or
- 8 individuals, or in operating or managing a homeless facility
- 9 authorized by this chapter, shall be exempt from taxation under
- 10 chapter 237.
- 11 (b) Any county mayor may exempt, by executive order,
- 12 donors and provider agencies from real property taxes, water and
- 13 sewer development fees, rates collected for water supplied to
- 14 consumers and for use of sewers, and any other county taxes,
- 15 charges, or fees; provided that any county may enact ordinances
- 16 to regulate the exemptions granted by this subsection.
- 17 (c) Any provider agency operating or managing a homeless
- 18 facility, or any other program for the homeless authorized by
- 19 this chapter, is exempt, for purposes of those facilities or
- 20 programs, from any requirements contained in part VIII of
- 21 chapter 346 and chapters 467 and 521.

1	S	-15 Emergency or transitional shelter volunteers. (a)
2	For the p	urposes of this section, "emergency or transitional
3	shelter v	olunteer" means an individual who:
4	(1)	Is a tenant at an emergency or transitional shelter
5		administered pursuant to this chapter;
6	(2)	Is not an employee of the provider agency operating or
7		managing the shelter;
8	(3)	Is under the direction of the provider agency
9		operating or managing the shelter and not the office
10		or the State; and
11	(4)	Provides up to eighty hours of volunteer labor or
12		services per month to the provider agency operating or
13		managing the shelter, notwithstanding payment of
14		stipends or credits for the labor and services.
15	(b)	Provider agencies may accept labor and services from
16	emergency	or transitional shelter volunteers.
17	(c)	In addition to any exemptions granted to nonpaid
18	labor, eme	ergency or transitional shelter volunteers who
19	acknowled	ge in writing that they are emergency or transitional
20	shelter vo	olunteers shall not be construed to be in the employ of
21	the provi	der agency operating or managing the shelter. The
22	volunteer	s' labor and services provided to the provider agency

- 1 operating or managing the shelter shall not be construed to
- 2 constitute employment, and the volunteers shall not be construed
- 3 to be employees of the provider agency operating or managing the
- 4 shelter, under any labor law.
- 5 § -16 Annual performance audits. (a) The office may
- 6 require any provider agency that dispensed shelter or assistance
- 7 for any homeless facility or any other program for the homeless
- 8 authorized by this chapter to submit to the office a financial
- 9 audit and report on an annual basis conducted by a certified
- 10 public accounting firm. This audit and report should contain
- 11 information specific to the funds received under state homeless
- 12 program contracts. The audit shall include recommendations to
- 13 address any problems found.
- 14 (b) Continuing contracts with provider agencies to
- 15 participate in any program for the homeless authorized by this
- 16 chapter will require that the provider agency address the
- 17 recommendations made by the auditing agency, subject to
- 18 exceptions as set by the office.
- 19 (c) Failure to carry out the recommendations made by the
- 20 auditing agency may be grounds for the office to bar a provider
- 21 agency from further contracts for programs authorized by this

- 1 chapter until the barred provider has addressed all
- 2 deficiencies.
- 3 § -17 Provider agency and donor cooperation are not in
- 4 restraint of trade. No provider agency or any other agency, or
- 5 donor or donors, or method or act thereof that complies with
- 6 this chapter, shall be deemed a conspiracy or combination in
- 7 restraint of trade or an illegal monopoly, or an attempt to
- 8 lessen competition or fix prices arbitrarily, or the creation of
- 9 a combination or pool, or to accomplish any improper or illegal
- 10 purpose. Any cooperation or agreement established pursuant to
- 11 rule shall not be considered as illegal, in restraint of trade,
- 12 or as part of a conspiracy or combination to accomplish an
- 13 illegal purpose or act.
- 14 § -18 Construction of chapter. If there is any conflict
- 15 between this chapter and any other law, this chapter shall
- 16 control.
- 17 § -19 Homeless shelter stipends. (a) The stipend
- 18 limits per shelter unit of zero bedrooms shall be adjusted by
- 19 the office annually on the first day of July pursuant to
- 20 standards established by rule which may consider changes in the
- 21 cost of operating homeless facilities, the fair market rents,
- 22 the consumer price index, or other relevant factors. A "shelter



- 1 unit of zero bedrooms" means a living unit that is a studio unit
- 2 or a single-room occupancy unit. The homeless shelter stipend
- 3 at transitional shelters for larger shelter units shall be
- 4 related to the difference in unit size, pursuant to standards
- 5 established by rule.
- 6 (b) The office may make or may contract to make homeless
- 7 shelter stipend payments on behalf of one or more homeless
- 8 families or individuals to a provider agency operating or
- 9 managing an emergency or transitional shelter or, in the case
- 10 that the office itself operates and manages a homeless facility,
- 11 to the office in amounts and under circumstances as provided by
- 12 rule. The contract may specify a minimum total amount of
- 13 homeless shelter stipends to be received by a provider agency
- 14 for making its shelter and services available to eligible
- 15 homeless families or individuals, pursuant to rule.
- 16 (c) In making homeless shelter stipend payments to a
- 17 provider agency, the office may establish minimum services to be
- 18 provided by the provider agency to homeless families or
- 19 individuals at the agency's shelter. The office may also direct
- 20 provider agencies to establish and manage a savings account
- 21 program as described in subsection (d). Additionally, the
- 22 office may direct provider agencies to subcontract for outreach



- 1 services from other private agencies specializing in programs
- 2 for the unsheltered homeless.
- 3 (d) Provider agencies and the office may establish and
- 4 collect shelter and services payments from homeless families or
- 5 individuals in addition to the amount received in homeless
- 6 shelter stipend payments pursuant to rule. Provider agencies
- 7 and the office may also set aside a portion of the payments in a
- 8 savings account to be made available to homeless families or
- 9 individuals when these families and individuals vacate the
- 10 shelter.
- 11 § -20 Temporary emergency housing. (a) In addition to
- 12 any other duties prescribed by law, the office shall develop, in
- 13 consultation with the four counties, a procedure for identifying
- 14 locations that shall be used for temporary emergency shelters
- 15 for homeless individuals and families. The office shall
- 16 actively partner with and monitor the efforts of the counties.
- 17 (b) Each county shall be responsible for partnering with
- 18 nonprofit organizations to locate, designate, and maintain the
- 19 areas that shall be used for temporary emergency shelters. The
- 20 designated locations may include private, county, state, and
- 21 federal lands at Kalaeloa."

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2	amended to read	d as foll	.ows:				
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- 4 Subject to general law, each county shall have the following
- 5 powers and shall be subject to the following liabilities and
- 6 limitations:

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- 7 (1) Each county shall have the power to frame and adopt a
 8 charter for its own self-government that shall
 9 establish the county executive, administrative, and
 10 legislative structure and organization, including but
 11 not limited to the method of appointment or election
 12 of officials, their duties, responsibilities, and
 13 compensation, and the terms of their office;
 - (2) Each county shall have the power to provide for and regulate the marking and lighting of all buildings and other structures that may be obstructions or hazards to aerial navigation, so far as may be necessary or proper for the protection and safeguarding of life, health, and property;
 - (3) Each county shall have the power to enforce all claims on behalf of the county and approve all lawful claims against the county, but shall be prohibited from

1		entering into, granting, or making in any manner any
2		contract, authorization, allowance payment, or
3		liability contrary to the provisions of any county
4		charter or general law;
5	(4)	Each county shall have the power to make contracts and
6		to do all things necessary and proper to carry into
7		execution all powers vested in the county or any
8		county officer;
9	(5)	Each county shall have the power to:
10		(A) Maintain channels, whether natural or artificial,
11		including their exits to the ocean, in suitable
12		condition to carry off storm waters;
13		(B) Remove from the channels, and from the shores and
14		beaches, any debris that is likely to create an
15		unsanitary condition or become a public nuisance;
16		provided that, to the extent any of the foregoing
17		work is a private responsibility, the
18		responsibility may be enforced by the county in
19		lieu of the work being done at public expense;
20		(C) Construct, acquire by gift, purchase, or by the
21		exercise of eminent domain, reconstruct, improve,
22		better, extend, and maintain projects or

1		undertakings for the control of and protection
2		against floods and flood waters, including the
3		power to drain and rehabilitate lands already
4		flooded; and
5	(D) Enact zoning ordinances providing that lands
6		deemed subject to seasonable, periodic, or
7		occasional flooding shall not be used for
8		residence or other purposes in a manner as to
9		endanger the health or safety of the occupants
10		thereof, as required by the Federal Flood
11		Insurance Act of 1956 (chapter 1025, Public Law
12		1016);
13	(6) Ea	ch county shall have the power to exercise the power
14	of	condemnation by eminent domain when it is in the
15	pu	blic interest to do so;
16	(7) Ea	ch county shall have the power to exercise
17	re	gulatory powers over business activity as are
18	as	signed to them by chapter 445 or other general law;
19	(8) Ea	ch county shall have the power to fix the fees and
20	ch	arges for all official services not otherwise
21	pr	ovided for;

1	(9)	Each county shall have the power to provide by
2		ordinance assessments for the improvement or
3		maintenance of districts within the county;
4	(10)	Except as otherwise provided, no county shall have the
5		power to give or loan credit to, or in aid of, any
6		person or corporation, directly or indirectly, except
7		for a public purpose;
8	(11)	Where not within the jurisdiction of the public
9		utilities commission, each county shall have the power
10		to regulate by ordinance the operation of motor
11		vehicle common carriers transporting passengers within
12		the county and adopt and amend rules the county deems
13		necessary for the public convenience and necessity;
14	(12)	Each county shall have the power to enact and enforce
15		ordinances necessary to prevent or summarily remove
16		public nuisances and to compel the clearing or removal
17		of any public nuisance, refuse, and uncultivated
18		undergrowth from streets, sidewalks, public places,
19		and unoccupied lots. In connection with these powers,
20		each county may impose and enforce liens upon the
21		property for the cost to the county of removing and
22		completing the necessary work where the property

1		owners fail, after reasonable notice, to comply with
2		the ordinances. The authority provided by this
3		paragraph shall not be self-executing, but shall
4		become fully effective within a county only upon the
5		enactment or adoption by the county of appropriate and
6		particular laws, ordinances, or rules defining "public
7		nuisances" with respect to each county's respective
8		circumstances. The counties shall provide the
9		property owner with the opportunity to contest the
10		summary action and to recover the owner's property;
11	(13)	Each county shall have the power to enact ordinances
12		deemed necessary to protect health, life, and
13		property, and to preserve the order and security of
14		the county and its inhabitants on any subject or
15		matter not inconsistent with, or tending to defeat,
16		the intent of any state statute where the statute does
17		not disclose an express or implied intent that the
18		statute shall be exclusive or uniform throughout the
19		State;
20	(14)	Each county shall have the power to:
21		(A) Make and enforce within the limits of the county

all necessary ordinances covering all:

1		(i)	Local police matters;
2		(ii)	Matters of sanitation;
3	(iii)	Matters of inspection of buildings;
4		(iv)	Matters of condemnation of unsafe
5			structures, plumbing, sewers, dairies, milk,
6			fish, and morgues; and
7		(v)	Matters of the collection and disposition of
8			rubbish and garbage;
9	(B)	Prov	ide exemptions for homeless facilities and
10		any (other program for the homeless authorized by
11		chap	ter [356D,] for all matters under this
12		para	graph;
13	(C)	Appo	int county physicians and sanitary and other
14		insp	ectors as necessary to carry into effect
15		ordi	nances made under this paragraph, who shall
16		have	the same power as given by law to agents of
17		the o	department of health, subject only to
18		limi	tations placed on them by the terms and
19		cond	itions of their appointments; and
20	(D)	Fix a	a penalty for the violation of any ordinance,
21		whic	n penalty may be a misdemeanor, petty

1		misdemeanor, or violation as defined by general
2		law;
3	(15)	Each county shall have the power to provide public
4		pounds; to regulate the impounding of stray animals
5		and fowl, and their disposition; and to provide for
6		the appointment, powers, duties, and fees of animal
7		control officers;
8	(16)	Each county shall have the power to purchase and
9		otherwise acquire, lease, and hold real and personal
10		property within the defined boundaries of the county
11		and to dispose of the real and personal property as
12		the interests of the inhabitants of the county may
13		require, except that:
14		(A) Any property held for school purposes may not be
15		disposed of without the consent of the
16		superintendent of education;
17		(B) No property bordering the ocean shall be sold or
18		otherwise disposed of; and
19		(C) All proceeds from the sale of park lands shall be
20		expended only for the acquisition of property for
21		park or recreational purposes;

1	(1/)	tach country sharr have the power to provide by charter
2		for the prosecution of all offenses and to prosecute
3		for offenses against the laws of the State under the
4		authority of the attorney general of the State;
5	(18)	Each county shall have the power to make
6		appropriations in amounts deemed appropriate from any
7		moneys in the treasury, for the purpose of:
8		(A) Community promotion and public celebrations;
9		(B) The entertainment of distinguished persons as may
10		from time to time visit the county;
11		(C) The entertainment of other distinguished persons,
12		as well as, public officials when deemed to be in
13		the best interest of the community; and
14		(D) The rendering of civic tribute to individuals
15		who, by virtue of their accomplishments and
16		community service, merit civic commendations,
17		recognition, or remembrance;
18	(19)	Each county shall have the power to:
19		(A) Construct, purchase, take on lease, lease,
20		sublease, or in any other manner acquire, manage,
21		maintain, or dispose of buildings for county
22		purposes, sewers, sewer systems, pumping

1			stations, waterworks, including reservoirs,
2			wells, pipelines, and other conduits for
3			distributing water to the public, lighting
4			plants, and apparatus and appliances for lighting
5			streets and public buildings, and manage,
6			regulate, and control the same;
7		(B)	Regulate and control the location and quality of
8			all appliances necessary to the furnishing of
9			water, heat, light, power, telephone, and
10			telecommunications service to the county;
11		(C)	Acquire, regulate, and control any and all
12			appliances for the sprinkling and cleaning of the
13			streets and the public ways, and for flushing the
14			sewers; and
15		(D)	Open, close, construct, or maintain county
16			highways or charge toll on county highways;
17			provided that all revenues received from a toll
18			charge shall be used for the construction or
19			maintenance of county highways;
20	(20)	Each	county shall have the power to regulate the
21		rent	ing, subletting, and rental conditions of property
22		for	places of abode by ordinance;

1	(21)	Unless otherwise provided by law, each county shall
2		have the power to establish by ordinance the order of
3		succession of county officials in the event of a
4		military or civil disaster;
5	(22)	Each county shall have the power to sue and be sued in
6		its corporate name;
7	(23)	Each county shall have the power to establish and
8		maintain waterworks and sewer works; to collect rates
9		for water supplied to consumers and for the use of
10		sewers; to install water meters whenever deemed
11		expedient; provided that owners of premises having
12		vested water rights under existing laws appurtenant to
13		the premises shall not be charged for the installation
14		or use of the water meters on the premises; to take
15		over from the State existing waterworks systems,
16		including water rights, pipelines, and other
17 .		appurtenances belonging thereto, and sewer systems,
18	• .	and to enlarge, develop, and improve the same;
19	(24)	(A) Each county may impose civil fines, in addition
20		to criminal penalties, for any violation of
21		county ordinances or rules after reasonable
22		notice and requests to correct or cease the

<u>,</u> 1		violation have been made upon the violator. Any
2		administratively imposed civil fine shall not be
3		collected until after an opportunity for a
4		hearing under chapter 91. Any appeal shall be
5		filed within thirty days from the date of the
6		final written decision. These proceedings shall
7		not be a prerequisite for any civil fine or
8		injunctive relief ordered by the circuit court;
9	(B)	Each county by ordinance may provide for the
10		addition of any unpaid civil fines, ordered by
11		any court of competent jurisdiction, to any
12		taxes, fees, or charges, with the exception of
13		fees or charges for water for residential use and
14		sewer charges, collected by the county. Each
15		county by ordinance may also provide for the
16		addition of any unpaid administratively imposed
17		civil fines, which remain due after all judicial
18		review rights under section 91-14 are exhausted,
19		to any taxes, fees, or charges, with the
20		exception of water for residential use and sewer
21		charges, collected by the county. The ordinance
22		shall specify the administrative procedures for

1	the addition of the unpaid civil fines to the
2	eligible taxes, fees, or charges and may require
3	hearings or other proceedings. After addition of
4	the unpaid civil fines to the taxes, fees, or
5	charges, the unpaid civil fines shall not become
6	a part of any taxes, fees, or charges. The
7	county by ordinance may condition the issuance or
8	renewal of a license, approval, or permit for
9	which a fee or charge is assessed, except for
10	water for residential use and sewer charges, on
11	payment of the unpaid civil fines. Upon
12	recordation of a notice of unpaid civil fines in
13	the bureau of conveyances, the amount of the
14	civil fines, including any increase in the amount
15	of the fine which the county may assess, shall
16	constitute a lien upon all real property or
17	rights to real property belonging to any person
18	liable for the unpaid civil fines. The lien in
19	favor of the county shall be subordinate to any
20	lien in favor of any person recorded or
21	registered prior to the recordation of the notice
22	of unpaid civil fines and senior to any lien

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recorded or registered after the recordation of the notice. The lien shall continue until the unpaid civil fines are paid in full or until a certificate of release or partial release of the lien, prepared by the county at the owner's expense, is recorded. The notice of unpaid civil fines shall state the amount of the fine as of the date of the notice and maximum permissible daily increase of the fine. The county shall not be required to include a social security number, state general excise taxpayer identification number, or federal employer identification number on the notice. Recordation of the notice in the bureau of conveyances shall be deemed, at such time, for all purposes and without any further action, to procure a lien on land registered in land court under chapter 501. After the unpaid civil fines are added to the taxes, fees, or charges as specified by county ordinance, the unpaid civil fines shall be deemed immediately due, owing, and delinquent and may be collected in any lawful manner. The procedure for

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collection of unpaid civil fines authorized in this paragraph shall be in addition to any other procedures for collection available to the State and county by law or rules of the courts;

Each county may impose civil fines upon any person who places graffiti on any real or personal property owned, managed, or maintained by the county. The fine may be up to \$1,000 or may be equal to the actual cost of having the damaged property repaired or replaced. parent or guardian having custody of a minor who places graffiti on any real or personal property owned, managed, or maintained by the county shall be jointly and severally liable with the minor for any civil fines imposed hereunder. Any such fine may be administratively imposed after an opportunity for a hearing under chapter 91, but such a proceeding shall not be a prerequisite for any civil fine ordered by any court. As used in this subparagraph, "graffiti" means any unauthorized drawing, inscription, figure, or

Ţ	mark of	any type intentionally created by paint,
2	ink, ch	nalk, dye, or similar substances;
3	(D) At the	completion of an appeal in which the
4	county'	s enforcement action is affirmed and upon
5	correct	ion of the violation if requested by the
6	violato	or, the case shall be reviewed by the
7	county	agency that imposed the civil fines to
8	determi	ne the appropriateness of the amount of
9	the civ	ril fines that accrued while the appeal
10	proceed	lings were pending. In its review of the
11	amount	of the accrued fines, the county agency
12	may con	sider:
13	(i) Th	e nature and egregiousness of the
14	vi	olation;
15	(ii) Th	e duration of the violation;
16	(iii) Th	e number of recurring and other similar
17	vi	olations;
18	(iv) An	y effort taken by the violator to correct
19	th	e violation;
20	(v) Th	e degree of involvement in causing or
21	CC	ontinuing the violation;

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2	the appeal; and	
3	(vii) Other extenuating circumstances.	e .
4	The civil fine that is imposed by adminis	trative
5	order after this review is completed and	the
6	violation is corrected shall be subject t	.0
7	judicial review, notwithstanding any prov	risions
8	for administrative review in county chart	.ers;
9	(E) After completion of a review of the amoun	ıt of
10	accrued civil fine by the county agency t	hat
11	imposed the fine, the amount of the civil	fine
12	determined appropriate, including both th	ie
13	initial civil fine and any accrued daily	civil
14	fine, shall immediately become due and	
15	collectible following reasonable notice t	o the
16	violator. If no review of the accrued ci	vil fine
17	is requested, the amount of the civil fir	ie, not
18	to exceed the total accrual of civil fine	prior
19	to correcting the violation, shall immedi	ately (
20	become due and collectible following reas	onable
21	notice to the violator, at the completion	of all
22	appeal proceedings;	

1		(F) If no county agency exists to conduct appeal
2		proceedings for a particular civil fine action
3		taken by the county, then one shall be
4		established by ordinance before the county shall
5		impose the civil fine;
6	(25)	Any law to the contrary notwithstanding, any county
7		mayor may exempt by executive order donors, provider
8		agencies, homeless facilities, and any other program
9		for the homeless under chapter [356D] from real
10		property taxes, water and sewer development fees,
11		rates collected for water supplied to consumers and
12		for use of sewers, and any other county taxes,
13		charges, or fees; provided that any county may enact
14		ordinances to regulate and grant the exemptions
15		granted by this paragraph;
16	(26)	Any county may establish a captive insurance company
17		pursuant to article 19, chapter 431; and
18	(27)	Each county shall have the power to enact and enforce
19		ordinances regulating towing operations."
20	SECT	ION 4. Section 237-23, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21	amended b	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

1	"(a)	This	chapter	shall r	not	apply	, to	the :	fol:	Lowing
2	persons:									
3	(1)	Public	service	compar	nies	as t	hat	term	is	define

- (1) Public service companies as that term is defined in section 239-2, with respect to the gross income, either actual gross income or gross income estimated and adjusted, that is included in the measure of the tax imposed by chapter 239;
 - (2) Public utilities owned and operated by the State or any county, or other political subdivision thereof;
- (3) Fraternal benefit societies, orders, or associations, operating under the lodge system, or for the exclusive benefit of the members of the fraternity itself, operating under the lodge system, and providing for the payment of death, sick, accident, prepaid legal services, or other benefits to the members of the societies, orders, or associations, and to their dependents;
 - (4) Corporations, associations, trusts, or societies organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, or educational purposes, as well as that of operating senior citizens housing facilities qualifying for a loan under the laws of the

1		United States as authorized by section 202 of the
2		Housing Act of 1959, as amended, as well as that of
3		operating a prepaid legal services plan, as well as
4		that of operating or managing a homeless facility, or
5		any other program for the homeless authorized under
6		[part VII of] chapter [356D;];
7	(5)	Business leagues, chambers of commerce, boards of
8		trade, civic leagues, agricultural and horticultural
9		organizations, and organizations operated exclusively
10		for the benefit of the community and for the promotion
11		of social welfare that shall include the operation of
12		a prepaid legal service plan, and from which no profit
13		inures to the benefit of any private stockholder or
14		individual;
15	(6)	Hospitals, infirmaries, and sanitaria;
16	(7)	Cooperative associations incorporated under chapter
17		421 or Code section 521 cooperatives which fully meet
18		the requirements of section 421-23, except Code
19		section 521 cooperatives need not be organized in
20		Hawaii; provided that:
21		(A) The exemption shall apply only to the gross
22		income derived from activities that are pursuant

1			to purposes and powers authorized by chapter 421,
2			except those provisions pertaining to or
3			requiring corporate organization in Hawaii do not
4			apply to Code section 521 cooperatives;
5		(B)	The exemption shall not relieve any person who
6			receives any proceeds of sale from the
7			association of the duty of returning and paying
8			the tax on the total gross proceeds of the sales
9			on account of which the payment was made, in the
10			same amount and at the same rate as would apply
11			thereto had the sales been made directly by the
12			person, and all those persons shall be so
13			taxable; and
14		(C)	As used in this paragraph, "section 521
15			cooperatives" mean associations that qualify as a
16			cooperative under section 521 (with respect to
17			exemption of farmers' cooperatives from tax) of
18			the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;
19	(8)	Pers	ons affected with Hansen's disease and kokuas,
20		with	respect to business within the county of Kalawao;
21	(9)	Corp	orations, companies, associations, or trusts
22		orga	nized for the establishment and conduct of

1		cemeteries no part of the net earnings of which inures
2		to the financial benefit of any private stockholder or
3		individual; provided that the exemption shall apply
4		only to the activities of those persons in the conduct
5		of cemeteries and shall not apply to any activity the
6		primary purpose of which is to produce income, even
7		though the income is to be used for or in the
8		furtherance of the exempt activities of those persons;
9		and
10	(10)	Nonprofit shippers associations operating under part
11		296 of the Civil Aeronautics Board Economic
12		Regulations."
13	SECT	ION 5. Section 346-152, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14	amended b	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
15	"(a)	Nothing in this part shall be construed to include:
16	(1)	A person caring for children related to the caregiver
17		by blood, marriage, or adoption;
18	(2)	A person, group of persons, or facility caring for a
19		child less than six hours a week;
20	(3)	A kindergarten, school, or program licensed by the
21		department of education;

1	(4)	A program that provides exclusively for a specialized
2		training or skill development for children, including
3		but not limited to programs providing activities such
4		as athletic sports, foreign language, the Hawaiian
5		language, dance, drama, music, or martial arts;
6	(5)	A multiservice organization or community association,
7		duly incorporated under the laws of the State that
8		operates for the purpose of promoting recreation,
9		health, safety, or social group functions for eligible
10		pupils in public and private schools through seventeer
11		years of age;
12	(6)	Programs for children four years of age and older that
13		operate for no more than two consecutive calendar
14		weeks in a three-month period;
15	(7)	A provider agency operating or managing a homeless
16		facility or any other program for homeless persons
17 .		authorized under [part VII of] chapter [356D;] ;
18	(8)	After-school, weekend, and summer recess programs
19		conducted by the department of education pursuant to
20		section 302A-408;
21	(9)	Child care programs for children five years of age and
22		older conducted by counties pursuant to section

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Δ.		302A-400, provided that each country adopts rules for
2		its programs;
3	(10)	Any person who enters a home in a child caring
4		capacity and only cares for children who are of that
5		household; and
6	(11)	A person caring for two or fewer children unrelated to
7		the caregiver by blood, marriage, or adoption."
8	SECT	ION 6. Section 467-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9	amended t	o read as follows:
10	"§46	7-2 Exceptions. The provisions requiring licensing as
11	a real es	tate broker or salesperson shall not apply:
12	(1)	To any individual who, as owner of any real estate or
13		acting under power of attorney from the owner,
14		performs any of the acts enumerated in the definitions
15		of real estate broker and real estate salesperson with
16		reference to the real estate; provided that the term
17		"owner" as used in this paragraph shall not include
18		any individual engaged in the business of real estate
19		development or brokerage or include an individual who
20		acquires any interest in any real estate for the
21		purpose or as a means of evading the licensing
22		requirements of this chapter; and provided further

1		that the term individual "acting under power of
2		attorney" as used in this paragraph shall not include
3		any individual engaged in the business of real estate
4		development or brokerage or any individual who acts
5		under a power of attorney for the purpose or as a
6		means of evading the licensing requirements of this
7		chapter;
8	(2)	To any person acting as a receiver, trustee in
9		bankruptcy, personal representative, or trustee acting
10		under any trust agreement, deed of trust, or will, or
11		otherwise acting under any order of authorization of
12		any court;
13	(3)	To any individual who leases, offers to lease, rents,
14		or offers to rent, any real estate or the improvements
15		thereon of which the individual is the custodian or
16		caretaker;
17	(4)	To any person who manages, rents, or operates a hotel;
18		or
19	(5)	To any provider agency owning, leasing, operating, or
20		managing a homeless facility or any other program for
21		the homeless authorized under [part VII of] chapter
22		[356D.]"

1	SECTION 7. Section 480-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
2	amended b	y amending subsection (d) to read as follows:	
3	"(d)	This chapter shall not apply to:	
4	(1)	Any provider agencies or donors under [part VII of]	
5		chapter [356D;];	
6	(2)	Any provider agency or donor method or act that	
7		complies with [part VII of] chapter [356D;]; or	
8	(3)	Any cooperation or agreement authorized pursuant to	
9		rule under [part VII of] chapter [356D.]"	
10	SECT	ION 8. Section 521-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
11	amended to read as follows:		
12	"§52	1-7 Exclusions from application of chapter. Unless	
13	created s	olely to avoid the application of this chapter, this	
14	chapter s	hall not apply to:	
15	(1)	Residence at an institution, whether public or	
16		private, where residence is merely incidental to	
17		detention or the provision of medical, geriatric,	
18		educational, religious, or similar services;	
19	(2)	Residence in a structure directly controlled and	
20		managed by the University of Hawaii for housing	
21		students or faculty of the University of Hawaii or	
22		residence in a structure erected on land leased from	

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2		for the exclusive purpose of housing students or
3		faculty of the University of Hawaii;
4	(3)	Occupancy under a bona fide contract of sale of the
5		dwelling unit or the property of which it is a part
6		where the tenant is, or succeeds to the interest of,
7		the purchaser;
8	(4)	Residence by a member of a fraternal organization in a
9		structure operated without profit for the benefit of
10		the organization;
11	(5)	Transient occupancy on a day-to-day basis in a hotel
12		or motel;
13	(6)	Occupancy by an employee of the owner or landlord
14		whose right to occupancy is conditional upon that
15		employment or by a pensioner of the owner or landlord
16		or occupancy for a period of up to four years
17		subsequent thereto, pursuant to a plan for the
18		transfer of the dwelling unit or the property of which
19		it is a part to the occupant;
20	(7)	A lease of improved residential land for a term of
21		fifteen years or more, measured from the date of the
22		commencement of the lease;

1	(8)	Occupancy by the prospective purchaser after an	
2		accepted offer to purchase and prior to the actual	
3		transfer of the owner's rights;	
4	(9)	Occupancy in a homeless facility or any other program	
5		for the homeless authorized under [part VII of]	
6		chapter [356D;];	
7	(10)	Residence or occupancy in a public housing project or	
8		complex directly controlled, owned, or managed by the	
9		Hawaii public housing authority pursuant to the	
10		federal low rent public housing program; or	
11	(11)	Residence or occupancy in a transitional facility for	
12		abused family or household members."	
13	SECTION 9. Chapter 356D, part VII, Hawaii Revised		
14	Statutes,	is repealed.	
15	SECTION 10. Chapter 371K, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
16	repealed.		
17	SECTION 11. All rights, powers, functions, and duties of		
18	the department of labor and industrial relations, relating to		
19	the office of community services, are transferred to the		
20	department of human services.		
21	All officers and employees whose functions are transferre		
22	by this Act shall be transferred with their functions and shal		
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- continue to perform their regular duties upon their transfer,
 subject to the state personnel laws and this Act.
- 3 No officer or employee of the State having tenure shall
- 4 suffer any loss of salary, seniority, prior service credit,
- 5 vacation, sick leave, or other employee benefit or privilege as
- 6 a consequence of this Act, and such officer or employee may be
- 7 transferred or appointed to a civil service position without the
- 8 necessity of examination; provided that the officer or employee
- 9 possess the minimum qualifications for the position to which
- 10 transferred or appointed; and provided that subsequent changes
- 11 in status may be made pursuant to applicable civil service and
- 12 compensation laws.
- 13 An officer or employee of the State who does not have
- 14 tenure and who may be transferred or appointed to a civil
- 15 service position as a consequence of this Act shall become a
- 16 civil service employee without the loss of salary, seniority,
- 17 prior service credit, vacation, sick leave, or other employee
- 18 benefits or privileges and without the necessity of examination;
- 19 provided that such officer or employee possesses the minimum
- 20 qualifications for the position to which transferred or
- 21 appointed.

1 If an office or position held by an officer or employee 2 having tenure is abolished, the officer or employee shall not thereby be separated from public employment, but shall remain in 3 4 the employment of the State with the same pay and classification 5 and shall be transferred to some other office or position for 6 which the officer or employee is eligible under the personnel 7 laws of the State as determined by the head of the department or 8 the governor. 9 SECTION 12. All appropriations, records, equipment, 10 machines, files, supplies, contracts, books, papers, documents, 11 maps, and other personal property heretofore made, used, 12 acquired, or held by the department of labor and industrial 13 relations, relating to the office of community services, shall 14 be transferred with the functions to which they relate. 15 SECTION 13. All rules, policies, procedures, guidelines, **16** and other material adopted or developed by the agency 17 transferred under this Act to implement provisions of the Hawaii 18 Revised Statutes that are reenacted or made applicable to the 19 department of human services by this Act, shall remain in full **20** force and effect until amended or repealed by the department of human services pursuant to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes. 21

- All deeds, leases, contracts, loans, agreements, permits, 1
- 2 or other documents executed or entered into by or on behalf of
- 3 the agency transferred under this Act pursuant to the provisions
- 4 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes, which are reenacted or made
- 5 applicable to the department of human services by this Act,
- 6 shall remain in full force and effect.
- 7 SECTION 14. All acts passed by the legislature during this
- 8 regular session of 2009, whether enacted before or after the
- 9 effective date of this Act, shall be amended to conform to this
- 10 Act unless such acts specifically provide that this Act is being
- 11 amended.
- 12 SECTION 15. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 14 SECTION 16. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

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Report Title:

Community Services; Homeless

Description:

Creates the office of homeless and community services under the department of human services and transfers the office of community services from the department of labor and industrial relations and the homeless programs from the Hawaii public housing authority to the department of human services.