A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

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

- SECTION 1. Chapter 371K, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 1 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and 2 to read as follows: 3 SERVICES FOR SURVIVORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING 4 "PART §371K-A Definitions. As used in this part: 5 "Human trafficking survivor" means a person who has had or now has the condition or status of debt bondage, involuntary 7
- servitude, severe forms of trafficking in persons, or sex 8
- trafficking as defined in title 22 United States Code, section 9
- 7102, as amended. 10
- "Pre-certified victim of human trafficking" means a person 11
- who has a pending application for federal certification as a 12
- victim of a severe form of trafficking as defined in title 22 13
- United States Code, section 7102, but has not yet obtained such 14
- certification, or a person who has reported a crime to law 15
- enforcement and it reasonably appears to law enforcement that 16
- the person is such a victim. 17

§371K-B Services for victims of human trafficking. 1 The office of community services shall coordinate with and 2 assist law enforcement agencies, the county prosecutors' 3 offices, the attorney general's office, and the department of 4 human services to access appropriate services for human 5 6 trafficking survivors. In providing assistance pursuant to subsection (a), 7 the office of community services may enter into contracts with 8 nongovernmental organizations for providing services to pre-9 certified victims of human trafficking, as defined in section 10 11 371K-A, insofar as funds are available for that purpose. Such services may include case management, emergency temporary 12 housing, health care, child care, mental health counseling, drug 13 addiction screening and treatment, language interpretation and 14 translation services, English language instruction, job training 15 and placement assistance, post-employment services for job 16 retention, transportation services and services to assist the 17 individual and any of the individual's family members to 18 establish a permanent residence in the State of Hawaii or the 19 20 United States. Nothing in this section shall preclude the office of community services, or any local social services 21

agency, from providing human trafficking victims who are United



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- 1 States citizens or human trafficking survivors, as defined in
- 2 section 371K-A, with any benefits and services for which they
- 3 may otherwise be eligible. All funds and services delivered
- 4 through this provision shall be supplementary to, and shall not
- 5 duplicate benefits provided by federal government programs
- 6 designed to assist survivors of human trafficking.
- 7 §371K-C Confirmation as a human trafficking survivor. (a)
- 8 As soon as practicable after a first encounter with a person who
- 9 reasonably appears to a law enforcement agency or a district
- 10 attorney's office to be a human trafficking survivor, that
- 11 agency or office shall notify the office of community services
- 12 and the Federal Bureau of Investigation that the person may be
- 13 eligible for services under this part.
- 14 (b) Upon receipt of the notification pursuant to
- 15 subsection (a), the division of criminal justice services, in
- 16 consultation with the office of community services and the
- 17 referring agency or office, shall make a preliminary assessment
- 18 of whether the person appears to meet the criteria for
- 19 certification as a victim of a severe form of trafficking, as
- 20 defined in title 22 United States Code, section 7102, or appears
- 21 to be otherwise eligible for any federal, state, or local
- 22 benefits and services. If the person is determined to be a pre-



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- 1 certified victim of human trafficking, the office of temporary
- 2 and disability assistance shall report the finding to the
- 3 person, and to the referring law enforcement agency or the
- 4 attorney general's office, and may assist that agency or office
- 5 in having the pre-certified victim of human trafficking receive
- 6 services from a case management provider who may be under
- 7 contract with the office of community services or from any other
- 8 available source. If the pre-certified victim of human
- 9 trafficking is under the age of eighteen, the office of
- 10 community services also shall notify the department of human
- 11 services of that fact.
- 12 §371K-D Law enforcement assistance with respect to
- 13 immigration. Upon the request of a human trafficking survivor
- 14 or a representative of a human trafficking survivor, the State,
- 15 local law enforcement agency, or district attorney's office
- 16 shall provide the human trafficking survivor with the United
- 17 States Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) Form I-914
- 18 Supplement B Declaration of Law Enforcement Officer for Survivor
- 19 of Trafficking in Persons. To provide persuasive evidence, the
- 20 state or local law enforcement agency endorsement must contain a
- 21 description of the victimization upon which the application is
- 22 based, including the dates the trafficking in persons occurred.



- 1 The endorsement must address whether the human trafficking
- 2 survivor had been recruited, harbored, transported, provided, or
- 3 obtained specifically for either labor servitude or services or
- 4 for the purposes of a commercial sex act as defined in title 22
- 5 United States Code, section 7102(3).
- 6 §371K-E Rules and Regulations. The director of labor and
- 7 industrial relations may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 for
- 8 the implementation and enforcement of this part."
- 9 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 11 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 to
- 12 provide services for human trafficking survivors.
- 13 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 14 labor and industrial relations for the purposes of this Act.
- 15 SECTION 3. In codifying the new sections added by section
- 16 1 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute
- 17 appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating
- 18 the new sections in this Act.

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1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

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Survivors of Human Trafficking; Services; Appropriation

Description:

Requires and appropriates funds for the office of community services, in coordination with other relevant state agencies, to provide social services for survivors of human trafficking.

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