A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DIABETES.

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

1	SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to permanently		
2	establish through codification the department of health's		
3	diabetes prevention and control program, and to designate that		
4	the program shall have a director that shall lead the State's		
5	fight against diabetes. The administration of the program and		
6	the director's salary and benefits shall be funded through		
7	special funds. The exact special funds to be used shall be		
8	determined by the department of health each fiscal year.		
9	SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by		
10	adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read		
11	as follows:		
12	"CHAPTER		
13	DIABETES PREVENTION AND CONTROL PROGRAM		
14	§ -1 Diabetes prevention and control program;		
15	appointments. (a) There is established within the department		
16	of health a diabetes prevention and control program.		
17	(b) The head of this program shall be known as the		
18	director of the diabetes prevention and control program,		
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- 1 hereinafter referred to as the director. The director shall
- 2 have professional training in the field of social work,
- 3 education, public health, and other related fields; extensive
- 4 direct experience in programs or services related to persons
- 5 suffering from diabetes; and recent experience in a supervisory,
- 6 consultative, or administrative position. The director shall be
- 7 nominated and appointed by the governor without regard to
- 8 chapters 76 and 89. The director shall be included in any
- 9 benefit program generally applicable to the officers and
- 10 employees of the State.
- 11 § -2 General functions, duties, and powers of the
- 12 director. The director shall have the following principal
- 13 functions, duties, and powers:
- 14 (1) Coordinate efforts between State agencies including
- the department of health, State medical facilities,
- and other stakeholders.
- 17 (2) Be a conduit for cooperation and coordination between
- agencies and the public to make progress in the fight
- 19 against diabetes.
- 20 (3) Serve as an advocate for diabetes programs statewide.

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1	(4)	Promote prevention through various means, including
2		but not limited to early awareness programs and
3		healthy lunches in schools.
4	(5)	Report regularly to the governor regarding updates and
5		reports on all matters of diabetes policy and programs
6		throughout the State, and on the status of diabetes
7		prevention.
8	(6)	Make recommendations to interested agencies, the
9		governor, and the legislature as to prevention and
10		awareness programs.
11	(7)	Serve as a media liaison for the State's diabetes
12		awareness and coordination efforts.
13	(8)	Be a presence in local media to remind the public as
14		often as possible of the dangers of pre-diabetes and
15		diabetes.
16	(9)	Administer funds allocated for the diabetes prevention
17		and control program; and apply for, receive, and
18		disburse grants and donations from all sources for

(10) Adopt, amend, and repeal rules pursuant to chapter 91 as necessary to effectuate the purposes of this chapter;

diabetes-related programs and services;

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1	(11) Employ and retain such staff as may be necessary for
2	the purposes of this chapter, in conformity with
3	chapter 76; and
4	(12) Contract for or grant such services as may be
5	necessary for the purposes of this chapter, including
6	master contract with other State agencies, and
7	purchase of service agreements with appropriate
8	agencies."
9	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.
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Report Title:

Department of Health; Diabetes Prevention and Control Program

Description:

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