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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGING.

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

1	PART I		
2	SECTION 1. In 1965, the Older Americans Act established a		
3	delivery system of services and supports for older adults. In		
4	1967, this service delivery system was codified into the Hawaii		
5	Revised Statutes. With guidance from the United States		
6	Administration on Aging and the Centers for Medicare and		
7	Medicaid Services, the state executive office on aging and the		
8	county offices on aging are currently making sweeping changes t		
9	transform this system to reflect current and future needs of		
10	older adults and people with disabilities.		
11	The purpose of this Act is to build a statewide system of		
12	support for Hawaii's older adults and their family caregivers		
13	by:		
14	(1) Establishing the aging and disability resource center		
15	as a single access point to information on the full		
16	range of long-term support options;		
17	(2) Enhancing the delivery of home- and community-based		
18	services through the kupuna care program; and		
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2 healthy aging, and assisting older adults living with 3 Alzheimer's disease and related dementia. 4 PART II 5 SECTION 2. The aging and disability resource center 6 initiative is a collaborative effort led by the United States 7 Administration on Aging and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid 8 Services. This initiative seeks to streamline access to long-9 term services and supports for older adults, persons with 10 disabilities, family caregivers, and providers. 11 Aging and disability resource centers serve as single 12 points of entry into the long-term services and supports system for older adults, people with disabilities, family caregivers, 13 14 and providers. A single, coordinated system of information and 15 access for persons seeking long-term support minimizes 16 confusion, enhances individual choice, and supports informed **17** decision-making. Aging and disability resource centers also

help individuals and their families identify their long-term

services and supports needs, understand their long-term care

options, and develop and activate a long-term services and

Engaging seniors in community activities, encouraging

supports plan.

1 The purpose of this part is to create a single point of 2 entry into Hawaii's long-term care resources by: 3 Formally establishing the aging and disability (1)resource center within the executive office on aging; 4 5 and Appropriating funds for the statewide development of 6 (2) 7 the aging and disability resource center. SECTION 3. Chapter 349, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 8 9 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and 10 to read as follows: 11 . AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER "PART 12 §349-Aging and disability resource center. (a) is established the aging and disability resource center in the 13 executive office on aging. The purpose of the aging and 14 disability resource center shall be to integrate the full range 15 of long-term services and supports into a single, coordinated 16 17 system. The aging and disability resource center shall be 18 19 available in every county and shall be a place where individuals of all ages, incomes, and disabilities can be directed to 20 receive information on the full range of long-term support 21 22 options, including:

1	(1)	Medicaid, medicare, Older Americans Act, Veterans
2		Administration, and other federal, state, and county
3		revenue-funded programs and services;
4	(2)	Privately administered programs and services;
5	(3)	Application process for publicly funded programs;
6	(4)	Services and supports for individuals with Alzheimer's
7		disease and related dementia;
8	(5)	Transportation services;
9	(6)	Housing options;
10	(7)	Elder rights protection;
11	(8)	Hospital and nursing home discharge planning and care
12		transition;
13	(9)	Health, prevention, and wellness programs;
14	(10)	Support for grandparents and other relatives raising
15		grandchildren; and
16	(11)	Informal and family caregiver support services.
17	(c)	The aging and disability resource center shall target
18	services	to:
19	(1)	Individuals aged sixty and older;
20	(2)	Individuals of any age with physical disabilities,
21		serious mental illness, dementia, developmental
22		disabilities, or intellectual disabilities;

1	(3)	Informal and family caregivers providing assistance to	
2		someone needing long-term services and supports;	
3	(4)	Health care professionals seeking assistance on behalf	
4		of their clients; and	
5	(5)	Individuals planning for their future long-term	
6		support needs.	
7	(b)	Each area agency on aging shall implement an aging and	
8	disability resource center within its respective geographic		
9	service area."		
10	SECT	ION 4. There is appropriated out of the general	
11	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,427,461 or so muc		
12	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 for the		
13	establishment of aging and disability resource centers.		
14	The	sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of	
15	health's	executive office on aging for the purposes of this	
16	part.		

17 PART III

section 5. According to the executive office on aging, the elderly population in Hawaii is one of the fastest growing in the country. Studies conducted by the executive office on aging and the four county area agencies on aging have indicated that the elderly in Hawaii have a significant need for assistance in 2012-0257 SB SMA.doc



- various areas and this need is outpacing the ability to provide 1
- 2 assistance.
- 3 The kupuna care program was established in 1999 as a
- collaborative effort by several agencies in Hawaii to address 4
- 5 the needs of the elderly population and the issues arising from
- 6 those needs. The program is home- and community-based, designed
- 7 to address the increased need for affordable long-term care and
- 8 the desire to remain in the community. The goal of kupuna care
- 9 is to give Hawaii's elderly population access to affordable and
- 10 quality home- and community-based services that are client-
- 11 centered and family-supportive, allowing the elderly to live
- 12 with independence and dignity.
- 13 The purpose of this part is to fill an important gap in
- 14 assistance for the elderly in Hawaii by appropriating funds for
- 15 the kupuna care program.
- 16 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general
- revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$4,200,000 or so much 17
- 18 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 for the
- 19 kupuna care program.
- 20 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 21 health's executive office on aging for the purposes of this
- 22 part.



1	PART IV
2	SECTION 7. The legislature finds that multi-service senior
3	centers offer a wide selection of daily events and activities,
4	classes, intergenerational opportunities, computer education,
5	cultural activities, fitness and health programs, and social
6	services for Hawaii's older adults. Senior centers are a venue
7	for older adults to socialize in a safe and healthy environment,
8	thus enabling participants to remain active and engaged in the
9	community.
10	Another opportunity to engage seniors is through health
11	promotion activities. Hawaii's healthy aging partnership
12	program is a statewide coalition established in 2003 to improve
13	the well-being of older adults by adapting evidence-based health
14	promotion programs to our multi-cultural population.
15	In spite of the evidence-based programs that keep older
16	adults healthy and independent, among the more common diseases
17	that Hawaii's elderly battle are Alzheimer's disease and related
18	dementia. Six out of ten people with Alzheimer's disease and
19	related dementia will wander during the course of their illness.
20	Wandering can be dangerous and sometimes fatal, and causes
21	stress among caregivers and family members.

- 1 The legislature finds that there are registration services
- 2 through which individuals who wander can be more easily located,
- 3 identified, and returned safely to their families. These
- 4 services also aid police and other first responders in the safe
- 5 return of the elderly who are found but who cannot remember
- 6 essential contact information.
- 7 The purpose of this part is to appropriate funds to:
- **8** (1) The healthy aging partnership program;
- 9 (2) Senior centers; and
- 10 (3) Support and promote participation in elder
- 11 registration services.
- 12 SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the general
- 13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$426,722 or so much
- 14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 for the
- 15 healthy aging partnership program.
- 16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 17 health's executive office on aging for the purposes of this
- 18 part.
- 19 SECTION 9. There is appropriated out of the general
- 20 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$285,000 or so much
- 21 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 to provide

1	funding f	or grants, pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised	
2	Statutes,	for senior centers and to be distributed as follows:	
3	(1)	Lanakila multi-purpose senior center \$175,000	
4	(2)	Moiliili senior center \$50,000	
5	(3)	Waikiki community center \$60,000	
6	The	sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of	
7	health's	executive office on aging for the purposes of this	
8	part.		
9	SECT	ION 10. There is appropriated out of the general	
10	revenues	of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much	
11	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 as a		
12	grant, pu	rsuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to the	
13	Alzheimer	's Association, Aloha Chapter, to:	
14	(1)	Establish a wanderer's registration service to protect	
15		individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related	
16		dementia;	
17	(2)	Conduct targeted outreach throughout the State to	
18		increase enrollment in the national wanderer's	
19		registry and offer scholarships and subsidies to low-	
20		income families, as defined by the United States	
21		Department of Health and Human Services' 2011 poverty	

1		guidelines for Hawaii, who want to enroll in the
2		registry;
3	(3)	Conduct annual training for first responders and other
4		community members to increase awareness and provide
5		ongoing education on best practices for search and
6		rescue efforts for people with dementia; and
7	(4)	When authorized by the family, issue customized
8		updates and information through social media to
9		provide alerts to community members and assist with
10		search and rescue efforts.
11	The	sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
12	health's executive office on aging for the purposes of this	
13	part.	
14		PART V
15	SECT	ION 11. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012;
16	provided	that section 3 shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title:

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Description:

Establishes the aging and disability resource center in the executive office on aging. Appropriates funds for the aging and disability resource center, kupuna care program, healthy aging partnership program, senior centers, and elder registration services.

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