A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RANDOM DRUG TESTING.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that it may be beneficial
- 2 to require recipients of public assistance to submit to random
- 3 drug testing to qualify for or maintain their eligibility, or
- 4 both, for such assistance. This would help to ensure that only
- 5 individuals who choose not to use illegal drugs or who are
- $oldsymbol{6}$ willing to seek treatment are able to participate in public
- 7 assistance programs.
- 8 The purpose of this Act is to determine the costs and
- 9 benefits of instituting random drug testing as a requirement for
- 10 public assistance programs.
- 11 SECTION 2. The department of human services shall
- 12 undertake a study to determine the costs and benefits of
- 13 instituting random drug tests as a requirement for participating
- 14 in public assistance programs. The department shall report its
- 15 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
- 16 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
- 17 to the convening of the regular session of 2014.

1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

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Report Title:

Random Drug Testing; Public Assistance; Report

Description:

Requires the Department of Human Services to study and report to the Legislature on the costs and benefits of instituting random drug testing for recipients of public assistance program benefits. Effective July 1, 2013.

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