HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013 STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PERSONS INVOLUNTARILY ADMITTED TO PSYCHIATRIC FACILITIES TAKING EDUCATIONAL COURSES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 334, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by adding a new section to part IV to be appropriately 3 designated and to read as follows: 4 "§334- Patients involuntarily admitted to public 5 psychiatric facilities; personal attendance at educational 6 courses outside the psychiatric facility prohibited. (a) Any 7 patient at a public psychiatric facility who was admitted involuntarily to the psychiatric facility pursuant to chapter 8 9 704 or 706 and who was accused of committing or attempting to 10 commit a violent crime shall not be allowed to attend any 11 educational courses in person outside the physical boundaries of 12 the psychiatric facility. The individual may participate in 13 educational courses online or by correspondence while a patient 14 at the public psychiatric facility only if all of the expenses 15 relating to each course are paid for by the patient. 16 (b) For the purposes of this section, "violent crime"

17 means any of the crimes included in section 351-32.



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(c) The department of health shall adopt rules pursuant to 1 chapter 91 to implement this section." 2 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored. 3 4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. 5 INTRODUCED BY: fich Cab Unin U

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Report Title:

Public Psychiatric Facilities; Patients; Offsite Attendance at Educational Classes; Prohibited

Description:

Prohibits any patient involuntarily admitted to a public psychiatric facility and who is accused of committing or attempting to commit a violent crime from personally attending any educational courses outside the psychiatric facility. Allows the patient to take online or correspondence courses only if the patient pays for all of the expenses involved.

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