#### THE SENATE TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, 2017 STATE OF HAWAII

# S.B. NO. <sup>2</sup><sub>S.D. 2</sub>

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

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

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to require the
 auditor to conduct a study to assess the impact of using
 medicaid funds to provide coverage for the treatment for
 homelessness.

5 SECTION 2. (a) The auditor shall conduct a study to 6 assess the impact of using medicaid funds to provide coverage 7 for the treatment for homelessness, including the costs to 8 provide coverage for the chronically homeless population in the 9 State; provided that for the purposes of this Act, "treatment" 10 or "treatment for homelessness" includes:

11 (1) Behavioral health services, including mental health
12 and substance abuse services;

- 13 (2) Case management;
- 14 (3) Personal care and personal assistance services;
- 15 (4) Home and community-based services; and
- 16 (5) Housing services.



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(b) The auditor shall submit findings and recommendations,
 including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later
 than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session
 of 2018.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general 5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much 6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for the 7 purpose of conducting a study to assess the impact of using 8 medicaid funds to provide coverage for the treatment of 9 10 homelessness; provided that no funds appropriated under this Act 11 shall be expended unless matched dollar-for-dollar with federal 12 funds.

13 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the office of the14 auditor for the purposes of this Act.

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SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



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#### Report Title:

Homelessness; Treatment; Auditor; Study; Medicaid; Appropriation

#### Description:

Requires the auditor to conduct a study to assess the impact of using medicaid funds to provide coverage for the treatment for homelessness. Requires the auditor to submit a report to the legislature. Makes an appropriation. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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