



EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
HONOLULU

DAVID Y. IGE  
GOVERNOR

July 6, 2017

**GOV. MSG. NO. 1204**

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,  
President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki,  
Speaker and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 6, 2017, the following bill was signed into law:

HB615 HD1 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO THE HEALTHY AGING  
PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM  
**ACT 103 (17)**

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HEALTHY AGING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hawaii healthy  
2 aging partnership program was established in 2003 to improve the  
3 health status of older adults by empowering residents to make  
4 healthy decisions and engage in healthier lifestyles. Since its  
5 formation, the healthy aging partnership has successfully  
6 adapted evidence-based health promotion programs and disease  
7 prevention programs for the multicultural population in Hawaii.  
8 Participants who complete workshops offered by the healthy aging  
9 partnership feel better, are less limited by their health  
10 conditions, and often spend less time at their doctor's office.  
11 Because of the many accomplishments of the healthy aging  
12 partnership program, the program received the 2013 multicultural  
13 aging award from the American Society on Aging, bringing further  
14 recognition for the program's role in improving the health of  
15 Hawaii's diverse aging population.

16 The legislature further finds that the healthy aging  
17 partnership program did not receive funding for fiscal year  
18 2016-2017 and that without funds, the program will close and the



1 executive office on aging will not be able to meet the first  
2 goal of the Hawaii State Plan on Aging, which is to strive to  
3 maximize opportunities for older adults to age well, remain  
4 active, and enjoy life in their communities.

5 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the  
6 healthy aging partnership program to further the program's  
7 important role in improving the health and well-being of  
8 Hawaii's kupuna.

9 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much  
11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for the  
12 healthy aging partnership program to further the program's  
13 important role in improving the health and well-being of  
14 Hawaii's kupuna.

15 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the executive  
16 office on aging of the department of health for the purposes of  
17 this Act.

18 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

APPROVED this 6 day of JUL , 2017



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII



HB No. 615, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1

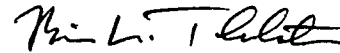
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2017  
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017.



Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker  
House of Representatives

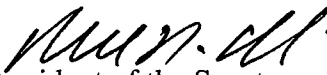



Brian L. Takeshita  
Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives

**THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII**

Date: May 2, 2017  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017.

  
President of the Senate

  
Clerk of the Senate