
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ATHLETIC TRAINERS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Act 198, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, enacted a
2 regulatory structure for athletic trainers, codified as chapter
3 436H, Hawaii Revised Statutes. However, this regulatory
4 structure is set to repeal on June 30, 2018.

5 Auditor Report No. 17-08 recommended that the current
6 registration requirement for athletic trainers should be made
7 permanent. Specifically, the Auditor's Report found that:

8 (1) Athletic trainers are healthcare professionals who
9 provide injury prevention, treatment and assessment of
10 injuries, and rehabilitation of injuries, among other
11 services. Athletic trainers also provide emergency
12 medical care and are involved in concussion monitoring
13 and education. The services that an athletic trainer
14 provides may affect the health and safety of athletes,
15 and the proficiencies required by the current
16 regulatory structure are reasonably necessary to
17 protect athletes under an athletic trainer's care;



1 (2) The current regulation of athletic trainers does not
 2 impose unreasonable restrictions on individuals
 3 entering the profession and does not meaningfully
 4 increase the cost of athletic trainer services; and

5 (3) The public interest requires that the profession of
 6 athletic trainer continue to be regulated and the
 7 program requiring athletic trainers to register with
 8 the department of commerce and consumer affairs be
 9 reenacted.

10 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to make permanent
 11 the requirements of chapter 436H, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
 12 regulating athletic trainers.

13 SECTION 2. Section 26H-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 14 amended to read as follows:

15 "**§26H-4 Repeal dates for newly enacted professional and**
 16 **vocational regulatory programs.** (a) Any professional or
 17 vocational regulatory program enacted after January 1, 1994, and
 18 listed in this section shall be repealed as specified in this
 19 section. The auditor shall perform an evaluation of the
 20 program, pursuant to section 26H-5, prior to its repeal date.



1 [~~(b)~~] Chapter 436H (athletic trainers) shall be repealed on
2 ~~June 30, 2018.~~

3 ~~(e)]~~ (b) Chapter 465D (behavior analysts) shall be
4 repealed on June 30, 2021.

5 [~~(d)]~~ (c) Chapter 466L (appraisal management companies)
6 shall be repealed on June 30, 2023."

7 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on June 29, 2050.



Report Title:

Athletic Trainers; Sunset Repeal

Description:

Makes permanent the regulation of athletic trainers. (HB2062
HD2)

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