

1 over the past five years and the number of people in shelters
2 decline during the same period despite increased investment in
3 shelters and enforcement.

4 Therefore, the legislature finds that addressing
5 homelessness requires the courage to try something new.

6 The legislature finds that ohana zones have the potential
7 to serve individuals experiencing homelessness in a way that
8 existing programs are currently unable. Ohana zones will have
9 the goal of improving the health and well-being of individuals
10 experiencing homelessness and providing access to needed
11 services. The use of the term ohana is not meant to suggest
12 that the use of an ohana zone is limited to nuclear families or
13 people related by blood, but rather that an ohana zone provides
14 a welcoming, safe haven where individuals experiencing
15 homelessness and those who serve them treat each other as an
16 extended family.

17 Because it is unclear what costs and benefits will accrue
18 using the new model of an ohana zone, the legislature finds that
19 these costs and benefits should be carefully studied, and that
20 ohana zones should, at least initially, be temporary.



1 The purpose of this part is to establish a pilot program
2 for the establishment of ohana zones, with the goal of improving
3 the health and well-being of individuals experiencing
4 homelessness and providing individuals experiencing homelessness
5 with needed services.

6 SECTION 2. **Definitions.** For purposes of this part:

7 "Department" means the department of human services.

8 "Office" means the department's homeless programs office.

9 "Homeless" means the same as in section 346-361, Hawaii
10 Revised Statutes.

11 "Ohana zone" or "ohana zones" means a place:

12 (1) That has a program to provide individuals experiencing
13 homelessness with basic needs including food, shelter,
14 bathrooms, showers, and other hygiene needs; and

15 (2) Where wrap-around services, social health care
16 services, transportation, and other similar services
17 are offered with the goals of alleviating
18 intergenerational poverty and transitioning
19 individuals experiencing homelessness into affordable
20 housing.



1 SECTION 3. (a) There is established within the office for
2 administrative purposes a three-year pilot program to be known
3 as the ohana zone pilot program. The office, in consultation
4 with the Hawaii interagency council on homelessness and any
5 other appropriate agency and with people experiencing
6 homelessness, shall serve as the administrator of the pilot
7 program.

8 (b) Contracts entered into by the office, pursuant to the
9 ohana zone pilot program, shall be exempt from the requirements
10 of chapters 103D and 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

11 (c) For the purpose of the ohana zone pilot program, the
12 department and department of land and natural resources may
13 develop interim administrative rules without regard to chapter
14 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

15 (d) The office shall consult with the department of land
16 and natural resources, the governor's coordinator on
17 homelessness, and with people experiencing homelessness to
18 identify and evaluate locations in which an ohana zone may be
19 established, beginning with the locations previously identified
20 as potential safe zone sites in the final report submitted by



1 the working group to examine the feasibility of safe zones
2 pursuant to Act 212, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017.

3 The office shall also consider locations that are on
4 private property and may inquire with private property
5 landowners regarding the availability of the private property as
6 a possible location of an ohana zone.

7 (e) The office shall consider whether there are any
8 benefits to establishing multiple ohana zones that address
9 specific target populations, such as individuals who are
10 experiencing homelessness and who are frail, elderly, disabled,
11 have a mental condition, or victims of domestic violence, or
12 establishing ohana zones targeting the general homeless
13 population.

14 (f) The office, in consultation with people experiencing
15 homelessness, shall establish no later than December 31, 2018,
16 the following:

- 17 (1) The criteria that the office will use to evaluate
18 potential ohana zone locations;
- 19 (2) A monthly timetable of milestones that the office
20 expects to meet in establishing one or more ohana
21 zones over the course of the three-year pilot program;



1 (3) The specific, measurable, attainable, reasonable, and
2 time-based performance measures that the office
3 expects to meet at the end of each fiscal year;

4 (4) The evaluation criteria and process that the office
5 intends to use each year when reviewing the success
6 and sustainability of the ohana zones; and

7 (5) The monitoring and oversight controls that the office
8 will have over the ohana zones to identify, address,
9 and prevent possible fraud, waste, and abuse and
10 ensure compliance with local, state, and federal laws.

11 (g) The office shall establish an ohana zone at one or
12 more of the sites approved for an ohana zone no later than
13 June 30, 2019.

14 (h) The construction cost of each dwelling in an ohana
15 zone shall not exceed \$15,000. At least fifty per cent of the
16 manufacturing and labor costs of each dwelling in an ohana zone
17 shall be purchased in the State.

18 (i) The office shall submit reports to the legislature no
19 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular
20 sessions of 2019, 2020, and 2021.



1 (1) The report submitted no later than twenty days prior
2 to the convening of the regular session of 2019 shall
3 include, at minimum, the following information:

4 (A) A summary and explanation of the process that the
5 office engaged in to identify possible ohana zone
6 locations;

7 (B) A list of the locations considered, including but
8 not limited to physical location, whether the
9 property was owned by state or local government
10 or by a private landowner; the cost of obtaining
11 the use of the property; and any remediation
12 costs needed to make the property suitable for
13 individuals experiencing homelessness to reside
14 upon;

15 (C) Identification of approved and rejected ohana
16 zone locations, and the rationale for the
17 selection or rejection of the sites; and

18 (D) A summary of the information required under
19 subsection (e).

20 (2) The reports submitted no later than twenty days prior
21 to the convening of the regular sessions of 2020 and



1 2021 shall include, at minimum, the following
2 information:

3 (A) The milestones established pursuant to subsection
4 (f) that were met by the office and ohana zones
5 established during the fiscal year;

6 (B) An evaluation of the ohana zones to determine
7 whether the objectives set have been met or
8 exceeded;

9 (C) Any proposed changes that need to be made to the
10 performance measures used to assess the
11 achievement of program goals; and

12 (D) An assessment of the impact of the ohana zone
13 model on the homelessness problem in Hawaii.

14 (j) The pilot program shall cease to exist on June 30,
15 2021.

16 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
18 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 to
19 the department of human services to implement the ohana zone
20 pilot program, including all program costs and hiring of
21 necessary staff.



1 patients with referrals to appropriate social services and other
2 necessary services, such as preventative medical care and mental
3 health treatment, may decrease the number of unnecessary,
4 repeated emergency department visits by patients experiencing
5 homelessness.

6 The purpose of this part is to establish a pilot program to
7 place multidisciplinary teams that include physicians, advanced
8 practice registered nurses, social workers, social worker
9 designees, and patient navigators in emergency departments to
10 identify individuals experiencing or at risk for homelessness
11 and provide individualized assessments and referrals for wrap-
12 around social services with a goal of reducing costs associated
13 with chronic use of emergency departments.

14 SECTION 6. **Definitions.** For purposes of this part:

15 "Advanced practice registered nurse" means a person
16 licensed as an advanced practice registered nurse under chapter
17 457, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

18 "Emergency department" means a department in a hospital
19 designated to provide critical care to stabilize and support a
20 patient's condition due to sudden illness or injury.



1 "Governing body" means the policy making authority, whether
2 an individual or a group, that exercises general direction over
3 the affairs of a facility and establishes policies concerning
4 the facility's operation and the welfare of the individuals it
5 serves.

6 "Homeless" means the same as in section 346-361, Hawaii
7 Revised Statutes.

8 "Hospital" means any institution with an organized medical
9 staff that admits patients for inpatient care, diagnosis,
10 observation, and treatment.

11 "License" means a document issued by the relevant
12 department regulating the profession at issue that certifies
13 that an individual practicing the profession is in compliance
14 with all existing state and federal laws and rules.

15 "Medical staff" means physicians and other individuals
16 licensed by the State, who are permitted by law and who have
17 been authorized by the governing body to provide patient care
18 services within a facility.

19 "Multidisciplinary team" means a team of physicians,
20 advanced practice registered nurses, social workers, social
21 worker designees, patient navigators, and other individuals



1 necessary to identify individuals experiencing or at risk of
2 experiencing homelessness and provide individualized assessments
3 and referrals for social services.

4 "Patient navigator" means an individual who assists
5 patients through the continuum of healthcare as it pertains to
6 their specific disease, ensuring that any and all barriers to
7 that care are resolved.

8 "Physician" means a doctor of medicine or osteopathy
9 licensed by the Hawaii medical board pursuant to chapter 453,
10 Hawaii Revised Statutes.

11 "Social worker" means the same as in section 467E-1, Hawaii
12 Revised Statutes.

13 "Social worker designee" means a staff person other than a
14 social worker but with similar professional qualifications, such
15 as nursing, psychology, psychiatry, counseling, or human
16 development, and two years of supervised social work experience
17 in a health care setting working directly with individuals and
18 who is supervised by means of consultation with a social worker.

19 SECTION 7. (a) There is established within the department
20 of health for administrative purposes a pilot program to be
21 known as the emergency department homelessness assessment pilot



1 program. The department of health, in consultation with the
2 Hawaii interagency council on homelessness and any other
3 appropriate agency, shall serve as the administrator of the
4 pilot program.

5 (b) A participating hospital in the pilot program shall
6 place multidisciplinary teams in its emergency departments. The
7 multidisciplinary teams shall identify patients experiencing
8 homelessness or patients at risk of experiencing homelessness,
9 assess the patients' current circumstances, and refer those
10 patients to appropriate and available social services with a
11 goal of reducing costs associated with chronic use of emergency
12 departments.

13 The individuals on a multidisciplinary team who provide
14 services as part of this pilot program shall not be employees of
15 the State. The individuals on a multidisciplinary team shall be
16 either employees of the participating hospital or individuals
17 who are otherwise permitted by law and the governing body of a
18 hospital to provide social services in the hospital.

19 (c) Each participating hospital shall submit to the
20 department of health qualitative and quantitative data as
21 determined by the department of health to demonstrate whether



1 there is any correlation between interventions by a
2 multidisciplinary team and the repeated use of emergency
3 departments by patients experiencing homelessness.

4 (d) The department of health shall submit a report to the
5 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
6 the regular session of 2019. The report shall contain a summary
7 and explanation of the data submitted by participating hospitals
8 regarding the efficacy of emergency department intervention by a
9 multidisciplinary team in mitigating the number of unnecessary
10 emergency department visits by patients experiencing
11 homelessness or patients at risk of experiencing homelessness.
12 The report shall also contain findings and recommendations,
13 including any proposed legislation, for continuation,
14 modification, or termination of the pilot program.

15 (e) The emergency department homelessness assessment pilot
16 program shall cease to exist on June 30, 2019.

17 SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the general
18 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
19 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 to
20 the department of health for implementation of the emergency



1 The purpose of this part is to authorize the department of
2 human services to establish a return-to-home program for
3 eligible homeless individuals.

4 SECTION 10. (a) The department of human services may
5 coordinate a voluntary homeless assistance pilot program to be
6 known as the return-to-home pilot program to provide eligible
7 homeless individuals with assistance in being reunited with
8 family and relatives in the individual's home state. The
9 department may contract with eligible non-profit organizations,
10 for profit organizations, or foundations to administer the pilot
11 program.

12 (b) No individual who is homeless shall be eligible to
13 participate in the return-to-home pilot program unless:

14 (1) The individual's participation is completely
15 voluntary;

16 (2) The individual, if on parole, probation, or awaiting a
17 court hearing or sentencing, has proper clearance from
18 the court to participate in the pilot program; and

19 (3) The individual is indigent and lacks the financial
20 resources necessary to secure transportation to return
21 to the individual's home state.



1 (c) An individual may participate in the return-to-home
2 pilot program only once and shall sign an agreement to this
3 effect before participating in the pilot program. The agreement
4 shall be kept on file with the pilot program.

5 (d) The return-to-home pilot program shall actively seek
6 the participation of local airlines, cruise lines, charter
7 companies, homeless programs, travel agencies, and the visitor
8 industry to coordinate and implement the pilot program.

9 (e) The return-to-home pilot program shall assist program
10 participants with necessary and proper preparations for travel,
11 including obtaining proper identification, accessing public
12 transportation to the airport, providing orientation relating to
13 airport security, and ensuring sufficient personal hygiene.

14 (f) The return-to-home pilot program shall cease to exist
15 on December 31, .

16 SECTION 11. There is appropriated out of the general
17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
18 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for
19 implementation of the return-to-home pilot program, including
20 all program costs and hiring of necessary staff.



1 pilot project for individuals with mental health or substance
2 abuse challenges.

3 The purpose of the pilot project shall be to refer
4 individuals with mental health or substance abuse challenges who
5 commit nonviolent, nonfelony offenses on state property to
6 appropriate community mental health services instead of
7 arresting or citing them. The pilot project shall be operated
8 in a county having a population of not less than six hundred
9 thousand.

10 SECTION 14. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this part:

11 "Individual with mental health or substance abuse
12 challenges" means a "mentally ill person" or "person suffering
13 from substance abuse", as those terms are defined in section
14 334-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

15 "Nonviolent, nonfelony offense" means an offense that:

16 (1) Is not a felony; and

17 (2) Does not involve physical harm to a person's self or
18 another person.

19 "Pilot project" means the pre-arrest diversion pilot
20 project for individuals with mental health or substance abuse
21 challenges established by this part.



1 "Responsible state officer" means the state executive
2 branch officer who is assigned by the governor to coordinate and
3 have overall responsibility for the pilot project.

4 SECTION 15. **Responsible state officer; assignment by**
5 **governor; coordination and overall responsibility for pilot**
6 **project.** (a) No later than September 1, 2018, the governor
7 shall assign a state executive branch officer to serve as the
8 responsible state officer for the pilot project.

9 (b) The responsible state officer shall coordinate and
10 have overall responsibility for the pilot project.

11 The responsible state officer shall work with the
12 department of public safety, department of health, department of
13 human services, and the governor's coordinator on homelessness
14 to establish the protocols and processes for operation of the
15 pilot project.

16 SECTION 16. **Pilot project basic principles.** (a) The
17 pilot project shall be operated in accordance with the following
18 basic principles:

19 (1) When observing or responding to an incident that the
20 deputy sheriff reasonably believes may constitute a
21 nonviolent, nonfelony offense on state property, a



1 deputy sheriff who is appropriately trained under the
2 pilot project shall preliminarily determine, based on
3 the deputy sheriff's reasonable belief, whether the
4 alleged violator may be a potential participant in the
5 pilot project;

6 (2) If the deputy sheriff reasonably believes that the
7 alleged violator is a potential participant in the
8 pilot project, the deputy sheriff shall determine
9 whether the alleged violator has been convicted within
10 the past three years of an offense involving violence
11 against another person;

12 (3) If the deputy sheriff determines that the alleged
13 violator has not been convicted within the past three
14 years of an offense involving violence against another
15 person, the deputy sheriff may:

- 16 (A) Refer the alleged violator to the department of
17 health for assessment; and
18 (B) Not arrest or cite the alleged violator.

19 If the deputy sheriff determines otherwise, the deputy
20 sheriff may arrest, cite, or take other action with



1 respect to the alleged violator as deemed appropriate
2 by the deputy sheriff;

3 (4) Upon receiving a referral from a deputy sheriff of an
4 alleged violator, the department of health shall
5 assess whether the alleged violator is an individual
6 with mental health or substance abuse challenges;

7 (5) If the assessment is in the affirmative, and the
8 alleged violator voluntarily agrees to participate in
9 the pilot project, the department of health shall:

10 (A) Accept the individual with mental health or
11 substance abuse challenges into the pilot
12 project; and

13 (B) Refer the individual with mental health or
14 substance abuse challenges to appropriate
15 community mental health services;

16 (6) Upon the acceptance by the department of health of an
17 individual with mental health or substance abuse
18 challenges into the pilot project, the department of
19 public safety shall have no further responsibility
20 regarding the individual or the disposition of the
21 alleged violation; and

1 (7) If the department of health does not accept an alleged
2 violator into the pilot project, the department of
3 health shall inform the department of public safety.
4 Upon being so informed, the department of public
5 safety shall arrest, cite, or take other action with
6 respect to the alleged violator, as deemed appropriate
7 by the department.

8 (b) The department of health may limit the number of
9 individuals with mental health or substance abuse challenges who
10 are accepted into the pilot project, based on the availability
11 of funds for the project.

12 SECTION 17. **Community mental health services of department**
13 **of health.** The department of health shall provide the community
14 mental health services of the pilot project under the authority
15 of chapter 334, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and any other
16 applicable law. The department of health may contract with any
17 qualified person to provide the community mental health
18 services.

19 SECTION 18. **Services of the department of human services.**
20 The responsible state officer or department of health may enter
21 into an agreement with the department of human services for the



1 provision of transitional housing, housing first, or other
2 services to individuals accepted into the pilot project.

3 SECTION 19. **Nonviolent, nonfelony offense; identification.**

4 (a) The responsible state officer, in consultation with the
5 department of public safety, shall identify the nonviolent,
6 nonfelony offenses under the Hawaii Penal Code, other state law,
7 or administrative rule, the commission of which on state
8 property may qualify the alleged violator to participate in the
9 pilot project. In identifying the nonviolent, nonfelony
10 offenses, the responsible state officer shall consider the
11 following offenses, at minimum: offenses against the possession
12 or consumption of liquor in public or on a public place; being
13 in a state park after hours of closure; camping on a sidewalk,
14 beach, or other restricted public place; trespassing;
15 obstruction; prostitution; and possession of an illegal drug.

16 (b) To identify the offenses, the responsible state
17 officer may seek the advice of the judiciary, police department,
18 and department of the prosecuting attorney of the county in
19 which the pilot project is implemented.

20 SECTION 20. **Timeline for pilot project.** (a) During
21 fiscal year 2018-2019, the responsible state officer and



1 relevant state departments shall prepare for the commencement of
2 the pilot project on July 1, 2019.

3 (b) The pilot project shall be operated from July 1, 2019,
4 until June 30, 2020.

5 SECTION 21. **Interim report, final report.** (a) The
6 responsible state officer shall submit an interim report on the
7 status of the pilot project to the legislature no later than
8 January 1, 2019.

9 (b) The responsible state officer shall submit a final
10 report on the pilot project to the legislature no later than
11 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of
12 2020. The final report shall include an evaluation of the pilot
13 project, findings on problems and issues pertaining to the pilot
14 project, and a recommendation on whether or not a pre-arrest
15 diversion program for individuals with mental health or
16 substance abuse challenges should be made permanent.

17 SECTION 22. (a) There is appropriated out of the general
18 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
19 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for
20 the pre-arrest diversion pilot project.



1 began, the program has helped more than one thousand four
2 hundred households consisting of four thousand eight hundred
3 individuals. About three-quarters of households had been at
4 risk of losing housing, and the rest were already homeless. Of
5 these numbers, sixty-four per cent included children.

6 Accordingly, the purpose of this part is to appropriate
7 moneys to continue and improve the coordinated statewide
8 homeless initiative to prevent homelessness and rehouse homeless
9 people in the State.

10 SECTION 24. (a) There is appropriated out of the general
11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
12 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 to
13 continue and improve the coordinated statewide homeless
14 initiative, which shall be allocated as follows:

15 (1) \$ for the continuation of the statewide
16 homeless initiative; and
17 (2) \$ for landlord outreach and liaison
18 activities within the coordinated statewide homeless
19 initiative, subject to subsection (b).

20 (b) The following provisions shall apply to the
21 appropriation under subsection (a):



- 1 (i) The department of human services shall:
- 2 (A) Procure the services of a master contractor to
- 3 procure and oversee subcontracts for the
- 4 provision of coordinated statewide homeless
- 5 initiative services, in accordance with chapter
- 6 103D or 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- 7 (B) Have oversight or manage the funds expended by
- 8 the master contractor; and
- 9 (C) Develop policies and procedures for a fair and
- 10 equitable procurement process consistent with the
- 11 goals of public accountability and public
- 12 procurement practices;
- 13 (2) The master contractor shall:
- 14 (A) Operate a coalition of agencies providing
- 15 homeless diversion services for the State by
- 16 providing short-term financial assistance to
- 17 households that have entered the eviction
- 18 process;
- 19 (B) Coordinate with the coordinated entry system
- 20 mandated by the United States Department of
- 21 Housing and Urban Development to provide



1 navigation services and placement of homeless
2 households into permanent housing;

3 (C) At a minimum, provide quarterly reports to the
4 house of representatives and senate committees on
5 housing and human services, respectively;

6 (D) Develop reporting procedures and timelines for
7 providing performance information to respective
8 state agencies; and

9 (E) Be accountable for funds expended;

10 (3) The master contractor may retain administrative fees
11 of fifteen per cent in total from the amounts paid
12 under the master contract between the master
13 contractor and subcontractors; and

14 (4) The total sum of funding shall be provided at the
15 start of the coordinated statewide homeless initiative
16 program to be managed by the master contractor;
17 provided that the administration of the funds shall
18 conform to accepted industry financial accounting and
19 performance standards;

20 provided further that any subcontracts to the master contract
21 executed and using the appropriations authorized pursuant to



1 this part shall not be subject to chapters 42F, 103D, and 103F,
2 Hawaii Revised Statutes.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
4 human services for the purposes of this part.

5 **PART VI**

6 SECTION 25. The legislature finds that the State has a gap
7 in services for homeless individuals with severe mental illness,
8 as these individuals often cycle between homelessness, emergency
9 room treatment, incarceration, and hospitalization. Individuals
10 with severe mental illness typically become chronically homeless
11 and further burden the health care system through excessive use
12 of expensive emergency department, inpatient treatment, and
13 crisis services. Due to their mental illness, these individuals
14 routinely reject offered services and remain on the street,
15 putting themselves at risk of further injury and creating a
16 significant burden on the communities where they reside.

17 The purpose of this part is to require the department of
18 human services, in consultation with the department of health,
19 to establish a pilot project to provide housing and mental
20 health treatment for homeless individuals with severe mental



1 illness who are subject to an assisted community treatment order
2 or court ordered guardianship.

3 SECTION 26. (a) The department of human services, in
4 consultation with the department of health, shall establish a
5 pilot project to operate a facility to provide shelter and
6 mental health treatment for homeless individuals with severe
7 mental illness who are subject to an assisted community
8 treatment order or court ordered guardianship, with the goal of
9 enabling these individuals to find permanent housing through
10 housing first programs; provided that prior to the establishment
11 of the pilot project, adult protective services shall seek a
12 court ordered guardianship for homeless individuals with severe
13 mental illness and consult with the family court and other
14 appropriate agencies about homeless individuals with severe
15 mental illness who were subjected to an assisted community
16 treatment order.

17 (b) No more than ten homeless individuals with severe
18 mental illness may receive shelter and mental health treatment
19 at the facility at any given time; provided that a homeless
20 individual with severe mental illness shall provide appropriate
21 identification documentation, including but not limited to a



1 social security card, driver's license, or civil identification
2 card, to be eligible for shelter and mental health treatment at
3 the facility.

4 (c) The department of human services shall use a suitable
5 unused state facility to provide shelter and mental health
6 treatment services; provided that the department shall make any
7 necessary changes to the facility to serve individuals with
8 severe mental illness.

9 (d) The pilot project shall end on June 30, . The
10 department of human services, in consultation with the
11 governor's coordinator on homelessness, shall submit a report
12 detailing findings and recommendations regarding the pilot
13 project, including findings regarding the pilot project's
14 contribution to successfully transitioning homeless individuals
15 with severe mental illness to permanent housing, challenges or
16 failures of the pilot project, and any proposed legislation, to
17 the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening
18 of the regular session of .

19 (e) The department of human services shall enter a
20 memorandum of understanding with the department of health and
21 any appropriate agencies assisting the department of human



1 services in providing shelter and mental health treatment to
2 homeless individuals with severe mental illness subject to an
3 assisted community treatment order or court ordered
4 guardianship.

5 (f) The department of human services may adopt rules
6 pursuant to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to effectuate
7 this part.

8 SECTION 27. There is appropriated out of the general
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
10 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 to
11 establish a pilot project to operate a shelter, including the
12 hiring of a social worker and social service assistant,
13 administrative expenses, and any necessary renovations to the
14 facility, to provide shelter and mental health treatment for
15 homeless individuals with severe mental illness pursuant to this
16 part; provided that the department of human services may procure
17 mental health treatment services pursuant to chapter 103F,
18 Hawaii Revised Statutes.

19 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
20 human services for the purposes of this part.

21 **PART VII**



1 SECTION 28. The purpose of this part is to appropriate
 2 funds for the department of human services to plan and construct
 3 various housing projects for vulnerable homeless populations,
 4 including but not limited to youth, elderly, veterans,
 5 individuals who are disabled, and individuals with a mental
 6 illness or substance abuse challenge.

7 SECTION 29. (a) There is appropriated out of the general
 8 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
 9 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for
 10 the planning and construction of various housing projects for
 11 vulnerable homeless populations, including but not limited to
 12 youth, elderly, veterans, individuals who are disabled, and
 13 individuals with a mental illness or substance abuse challenge.

14 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
 15 human services for the purposes of this part.

16 (b) The department of human services shall adopt rules
 17 without regard to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, necessary
 18 for the purpose of this part.

19 **PART VIII**

20 SECTION 30. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000;
 21 provided that section 4 shall take effect on July 1, 3000;



1 provided further that part VI shall take effect upon the
2 approval of the department of the attorney general.
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Report Title:

Homelessness; Ohana Zone Pilot Program; Emergency Department Homelessness Assessment Pilot Program; Return-to-Home Pilot Program; Pre-arrest Diversion Pilot Project; Individuals with Severe Mental Illness; Coordinated Statewide Homeless Initiative; Report; Appropriation

Description:

Part I: Establishes and appropriates funds for the Ohana Zone Pilot Program. Part II: Establishes and appropriate funds for the Emergency Department Homelessness Assessment Pilot Program. Part III: Authorizes DHS to establish the Return-to-Home Pilot Program and appropriates funds for the program. Part IV: Establishes and appropriates funds for a pre-arrest diversion pilot project. Part V: Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services for the coordinated statewide homeless initiative. Part VI: Establishes and appropriates funds for a pilot project to operate a facility to provide shelter and mental health treatment for homeless individuals with severe mental illness who are subject to an assisted community treatment order or court ordered guardianship. Takes effect upon approval of the Department of the Attorney General. Part VII: Appropriates funds for various housing projects for vulnerable homeless individuals. Exempts the Department of Human Services from rulemaking pursuant to chapter 91, HRS, in the planning and construction of housing for vulnerable homeless populations. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)

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