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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO KUPUNA CARE.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 102, Session  
2 Laws of Hawaii 2017, authorized the executive office on aging to  
3 establish the kupuna caregivers program to assist caregivers by  
4 providing assistance to allow them to remain in the workforce  
5 while their loved ones are provided with necessary support  
6 services. The legislature further finds that the kupuna  
7 caregivers program is critical to supporting the well-being of  
8 caregivers who are sometimes elderly themselves, or who may need  
9 to consider leaving their jobs or taking a significant cut in  
10 pay to care for their parents. Hawaii's aging population  
11 continues to grow, and caregiver assistance is critical to  
12 supporting caregivers' own health as well as the health of  
13 Hawaii's kupuna. Act 102, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017,  
14 appropriated \$600,000 for the initial establishment and  
15 development of the program.

16       The purpose of this Act is to:



(1) Require the executive office on aging to include in its annual report to the legislature a section detailing outcomes of the kupuna caregivers program; and

(2) Appropriate funds for implementation of the kupuna caregivers program.

SECTION 2. Section 349-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(b) The planning and administrative services division shall engage in the following activities, including but not limited to:

(1) Preparation and submission of programs and budgets;

(2) Preparation of an annual evaluation report on elder programs for the governor and legislature[7], which shall include a section detailing outcomes of the kupuna caregivers program, including but not limited to evaluation metrics; consolidated data of the existing waiting list broken down by county; and recommendations to support the implementation and execution of the program;

(3) Preparation of studies and analysis;



- 1 (4) Maintenance of personnel records;
- 2 (5) Management of contracts and agreements entered into by
- 3 the executive office on aging with public and private
- 4 vendors, consultants, and suppliers;
- 5 (6) Monitoring the purchase of service agreements with
- 6 public and private agencies and rendering technical
- 7 assistance to elder program service providers; and
- 8 (7) Establishment and maintenance of reimbursement systems
- 9 for services provided by agreement with federal,
- 10 state, and county agencies, as well as private
- 11 groups."

12 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general

13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$4,000,000 or so much

14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the

15 implementation of the kupuna caregivers program.

16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the executive

17 office on aging for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed

19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

20 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

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**Report Title:**

Kupuna Caregivers Program; Executive Office on Aging; Report; Appropriation

**Description:**

Requires the Executive Office on Aging to include in its annual report to the legislature a section that details program outcomes. Appropriates \$4,000,000 for implementation of the Kupuna Caregivers Program. (SD1)

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