

JAN 22 2021

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 279D-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 " [†] §279D-3 [†] Establishment of metropolitan planning
4 organizations; duties. (a) Metropolitan planning organizations
5 shall be designated pursuant to 23 United States Code section
6 134(d)(1) and shall meet all requirements of 23 United States
7 Code sections 134-135 and 49 United States Code sections 5303-
8 5304, as amended, and any federal regulations adopted pursuant
9 thereto.

10 (b) A metropolitan planning organization shall:

- 11 (1) Operate according to executed comprehensive
12 agreements, including any supplemental agreements,
13 between the State, county, and other operators of
14 public transportation receiving federal funds; and
15 (2) Facilitate and support the continuing, cooperative,
16 and comprehensive transportation planning process
17 between the State, county, and other operators of



1 public transportation receiving federal funds,
2 including the consideration of projects and strategies
3 that support national planning factors as defined in
4 23 United States Code section 134, regional goals and
5 objectives, and consideration of plans and planning
6 activities of others as they affect transportation.

7 (c) A metropolitan planning organization may:

8 (1) Assign to staff members duties not defined or
9 designated by federal law, this chapter, or executive
10 agreement;

11 (2) Enter into agreements with the State, county, other
12 operators of public transportation receiving federal
13 funds, and other entities as needed to fully comply
14 with all requirements of federal law and this chapter;

15 (3) Be placed within a state or county agency, as
16 appropriate, for administrative purposes only;

17 (4) Contract to purchase goods and services, including
18 professional and technical assistance and advice;

19 (5) Contract for or accept revenues, compensation,
20 proceeds, and gifts or donations or grants in any form
21 from any public agency; and



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1 (6) Contract with other state or local agencies and quasi-
2 public or private organizations for the use of their
3 staff resources to assist the metropolitan planning
4 organization in its functions.

5 (d) Any county with a population greater than 150,000 as
6 determined by the 2020 United States Census data and that meets
7 the legal requirements, shall establish a metropolitan planning
8 organization."

9 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Metropolitan Planning Organizations

Description:

Requires any county with a population greater than 150,000 to establish a metropolitan planning organization.

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