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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President and Members of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 √ The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senate President Kouchi and Speaker Saiki:

Pursuant to Section 73 of Act 88, SLH 2021, this is to notify you that I have approved the transfer of 16 positions between programs within the Department of Human Services (DHS) for operating purposes.

1. Date of transfer: February 2022

## 2. Budgeted Positions to be transferred:

Prog. ID	Position No.	Position Title
HMS 301	1638	Social Worker (SW) VI
HMS 301	4549	Secretary I
HMS 301	27193	Human Services Professional (HSP) V
HMS 301	34648	SW V
HMS 301	34774	HSP V
HMS 301	36644	HSP V
HMS 301	37200	SW V
HMS 301	51856	Office Assistant (OA) III
HMS 301	110606	SW V
HMS 301	118616	HSP V
HMS 301	119000	SW V
HMS 601	1651	SW VI
HMS 601	22882	Secretary I
HMS 601	25276	SW V
HMS 601	100419	HSP V
HMS 601	100497	Registered Nurse (RN) V

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3. Program IDs from which and to which the positions will be transferred:

From: HMS 301, Child Protective Services (CPS)

HMS 601, Adult Protective and Community Services (APCS)

To: HMS 901, General Support for Social Services (GSSS)

4. Responsibility of positions prior to and after the transfer:

The responsibilities of the positions being transferred will not change from their current responsibilities since operations were already changed to match DHS' organizational structure.

The SW VI (PN 1638) is responsible for overseeing the Child Welfare Program Development Office (CWPDO) 1, including directing the implementation of program policies and procedures, managing the office's budget and procurement, and developing and coordinating action on relevant legislation.

The Secretary I (PN 4549) is responsible for providing administrative and clerical support to the CWPDO 1.

The HSP Vs (PNs 27193, 34774, 36644, and 118616) and the Social Worker Vs (PNs 34648, 37200, 110606, and 119000) are responsible for the planning, development, monitoring, and review of child welfare programs and services and acting as consultants on program rules and policies for the Child Welfare Service Branch (CWSB).

The OA III (PN 51856) is responsible for providing administrative and clerical support to the CWPDO 2.

The SW VI (PN 1651) is responsible for overseeing the Adult Protective Program Development Office (APPDO), including directing the implementation of program policies and procedures, managing the office's budget and procurement, and developing and coordinating action on relevant legislation.

The Secretary I (PN 22882) is responsible for providing administrative and clerical support to the APPDO.

The SW V (PN 25276) and the HSP V (PN 100419) are responsible for the planning, development, monitoring, and review of adult protective programs and services and acting as consultants on program rules and policies for the Adult Protective and Community Services Branch (APCSB).

The RN V (PN 100497) is responsible for the planning, development, monitoring, and review of nursing services for the adult protective program and acting as a consultant and expert on nursing for the APCSB.

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5. Manner in which the transfer maximizes the utilization of personal resources and staff productivity:

The position transfers are being performed within the Social Services Division (SSD) to align positions with DHS' organizational structure in FY 22 until the transfers can be made in the budget. The reorganization was initiated to separate the oversight of policy and rule development and the supervision of frontline staff, both of which fell upon the managers of the CWSB and the APCSB. Prior to the separation of these responsibilities, the branch managers faced blurred priorities that led to poor program performance, delayed response times, and inconsistent policy support for staff.

While the positions being transferred are already operating under the supervision of SSD's Administrator, the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) raised concerns that the grant expenditures did not align with the organizational structure in the documents it was provided. Officially transferring the positions temporarily in FY 22 and permanently through the FY 23 Executive Supplemental Budget will ensure that ACF's concerns are addressed and that there will not be any negative impacts to SSD's federal funding in the future.

Furthermore, pursuant to Section 72 of Act 88, SLH 2021, I have approved the transfer of general and federal funds between programs for DHS as follows:

<u>Program</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	MOF
CPS (HMS 301)	\$650,000	\$	Α
CPS (HMS 301)	550,400		Ν
APCS (HMS 601)	150,000	•	Α
GSSS (HMS 901)	••••	800,000	Α
GSSS (HMS 901)	*****	550,400	Ν

The funds will be used to cover the salaries of the positions being transferred from HMS 301 and HMS 601 into HMS 901.

No major impacts are anticipated for HMS 301 and HMS 601 since the salaries of the positions are already being charged to HMS 901.

With warmest regards,

David Y. Ige

Governor, State of Hawai'i

c: Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz Honorable Sylvia Luke