



GOV. MSG. NO. 1183

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

JOSH GREEN, M.D.  
GOVERNOR  
KE KIA'ĀINA

June 14, 2023

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate,  
and Members of the Senate  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

✓ The Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 14, 2023, the following bill was signed into law:

SB1527 SD2 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY.  
**ACT 082**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Josh Green M.D." in a cursive style.

Josh Green, M.D.  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

on JUN 14 2023

THE SENATE  
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023  
STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 1527  
S.D. 2  
H.D. 1  
C.D. 1

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

RELATING TO ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY.

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

1 SECTION 1. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of  
2 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,  
3 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the  
4 appropriations contained in H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, S.D. 1,  
5 C.D. 1, and this Act will cause the state general fund  
6 expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2023-2024 to be exceeded by  
7 \$1,063,937,367 or 11.0 per cent. This current declaration takes  
8 into account general fund appropriations authorized for fiscal  
9 year 2023-2024 in H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, and this  
10 Act only. The reasons for exceeding the general fund  
11 expenditure ceiling are that:

- 12 (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to  
13 serve the public interest; and
- 14 (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs  
15 addressed by this Act.

16 SECTION 2. Section 801G-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
17 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted  
18 and to read as follows:



1        "Department" means the department of law enforcement."

2        SECTION 3. Section 801G-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
3 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

4        "(a) There is established the address confidentiality  
5 program in the [~~office of the lieutenant governor~~] department to  
6 protect the confidentiality of the actual address of a victim of  
7 domestic abuse, a sexual offense, or stalking and to prevent the  
8 victim's assailants or potential assailants from finding the  
9 victim through public records. The program shall:

- 10        (1) Assign a substitute address to the program participant  
11                that shall be used by agencies;
- 12        (2) Receive first-class, certified, or registered mail  
13                sent to a program participant at the substitute  
14                address and forward the mail to the program  
15                participant at no cost to the program participant;  
16                provided that the program shall not be required to  
17                track or maintain records of mail or to forward  
18                packages, bulk mail, or pre-sorted mail; provided  
19                further that the program shall maintain a log of  
20                certified or registered mail or service of legal



1 process received on behalf of a program participant;  
2 and  
3 (3) Act as the agent of the program participant for  
4 purposes of service of all legal process in the State;  
5 provided that the department may enter into a contract with a  
6 third party to provide the services described in paragraphs (2)  
7 and (3) of this subsection."

8 SECTION 4. Section 801G-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 "**§801G-7 Appeal.** Within thirty days of the date of the  
11 notice of denial of an application or of certification  
12 cancellation, an applicant or program participant may submit a  
13 written appeal to the [~~office of the lieutenant governor;~~  
14 department; provided that:

- 15 (1) The appeal shall not be treated as a contested case as  
16 defined in chapter 91;  
17 (2) The appeal process shall not include a hearing; and  
18 (3) The [~~office of the lieutenant governor's~~ department's  
19 final determination shall not be subject to judicial  
20 review."



1 SECTION 5. Section 801G-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "§801G-13 Rulemaking authority. The [~~office of the~~  
4 ~~lieutenant governor~~] department shall adopt rules pursuant to  
5 chapter 91 as necessary to carry out the purposes of this  
6 chapter."

7 SECTION 6. All rules, policies, procedures, guidelines,  
8 and other material adopted or developed by the office of the  
9 lieutenant governor to implement provisions of the Hawaii  
10 Revised Statutes that are reenacted or made applicable to the  
11 department of law enforcement by this Act shall remain in full  
12 force and effect until amended or repealed by the department of  
13 law enforcement pursuant to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

14 In the interim, every reference to the office of the  
15 lieutenant governor in those rules, procedures, guidelines, and  
16 other material is amended to refer to the department of law  
17 enforcement or director of law enforcement, as appropriate.

18 SECTION 7. All appropriations, records, equipment,  
19 machines, files, supplies, contracts, books, papers, documents,  
20 maps, and other personal property heretofore made, used,  
21 acquired, or held by the office of the lieutenant governor



1 relating to the functions transferred to the department of law  
2 enforcement shall be transferred with the functions to which  
3 they relate.

4 SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the general  
5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$170,000 or so much  
6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the  
7 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
8 2024-2025 for two full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) positions,  
9 operating costs, and equipment to support the address  
10 confidentiality program pursuant to chapter 801G, Hawaii Revised  
11 Statutes.

12 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
13 of law enforcement for the purposes of this Act.

14 SECTION 9. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
15 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

16 SECTION 10. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2024;  
17 provided that section 8 shall take effect on July 1, 2023.



S.B. NO. 1527  
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APPROVED this **14th** day of **June**, 2023

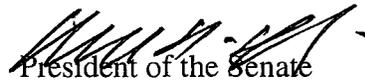
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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

**THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I**

Date: MAY 04 2023  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023.

  
President of the Senate

  
Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 1527, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1

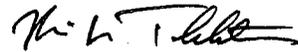
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: **MAY 04 2023**  
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023.



Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker  
House of Representatives



Brian L. Takeshita  
Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives