



GOV. MSG. NO. 1259

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

June 29, 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 29, 2023, the following bill was signed into law:

SB944 SD1 HD2 CD1

RELATING TO THE UNIFORM PARENTAGE
ACT.
ACT 156

Sincerely,

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

on JUN 29 2023

THE SENATE
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023
STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 944
S.D. 1
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIFORM PARENTAGE ACT.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) The department of the attorney general
2 shall convene a task force to recommend amendments to the Hawaii
3 Revised Statutes to update existing parentage laws that reflect
4 outdated concepts of families, parenthood, conception and
5 gestation, and parental rights.

6 (b) The task force shall include the following members:

7 (1) A representative from the department of the attorney
8 general, who shall serve as chairperson;

9 (2) The director of health, or the director's designee;

10 (3) A member of the Hawaii state commission on the status
11 of women;

12 (4) A member of the Hawaii state commission on fatherhood;

13 (5) A family court judge;

14 (6) A family law attorney;

15 (7) A health care professional familiar with hospital and
16 birthing center procedure experience;

17 (8) A mental health professional familiar with post-
18 adoption experience;



- 1 (9) An individual with personal knowledge of adoption-
- 2 related health and medical issues;
- 3 (10) An individual with personal knowledge of surrogacy;
- 4 and
- 5 (11) Any other member as recommended by the task force.
- 6 (c) The task force shall submit:
- 7 (1) An interim report of its findings and recommendations,
- 8 including any proposed legislation, to the legislature
- 9 no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
- 10 the regular session of 2024; and
- 11 (2) A final report of its findings and recommendations,
- 12 including any proposed legislation, no later than
- 13 forty days prior to the convening of the regular
- 14 session of 2025.
- 15 (d) The task force shall be dissolved on December 31,
- 16 2025.

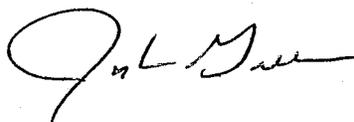
17 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



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APPROVED this **29th** day of **June**, 2023



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

Date: May 2, 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. 944, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 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