
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO PERFORM A STUDY TO DETERMINE IF THE GOVERNMENT AS A WHOLE IS ADEQUATELY ALLOCATING FUNDING FOR EACH REGION OF OAHU FOR HOMELESS SERVICES.

1 WHEREAS, the 2022 Point in Time Count for Oahu was
2 conducted from 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on March 10, 2022, and
3 asked, in part, individuals where they had slept on the night of
4 March 9, 2022; and

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6 WHEREAS, the Point in Time Count for Oahu divided the
7 island into seven geographic regions:

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9 (1) Region 1: Downtown Honolulu, Kalihi, and Nuuanu;

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11 (2) Region 2: East Honolulu;

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13 (3) Region 3: Ewa, Kapolei;

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15 (4) Region 4: Kaneohe to Waimanalo;

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17 (5) Region 5: Wahiawa to the North Shore;

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19 (6) Region 6: Upper Windward; and

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21 (7) Region 7: Waianae Coast; and

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23 WHEREAS, according to the 2022 Point in Time Count for
24 Oahu, four hundred twenty-four individuals, of which three
25 hundred ninety-five were adults and twenty-nine were children,
26 were experiencing unsheltered homelessness on the Waianae Coast;
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1 WHEREAS, this number represents eighteen percent of the
2 total number of two thousand three hundred fifty-five
3 individuals on Oahu who were experiencing unsheltered
4 homelessness on March 9, 2022, which is the third-highest
5 percentage on Oahu, surpassed only by Region 1 (twenty-six
6 percent, or six hundred twenty-two individuals) and Region 2
7 (twenty-four percent, or five hundred seventy-five individuals);
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10 WHEREAS, in Region 7, eighty-two individuals, or fifty-
11 seven percent, of surveyed adults were chronically homeless
12 individuals; and
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14 WHEREAS, it is important to ensure that adequate funding is
15 allocated for each region of Oahu for homeless services; now,
16 therefore,
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18 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
19 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
20 Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
21 Human Services is requested to perform a study to determine if
22 the government as a whole is adequately allocating funding for
23 each region of Oahu for homeless services; and
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for the purposes of this study,
26 the regions of Oahu be delineated pursuant to the 2022 Point in
27 Time Count for Oahu; and
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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Human
30 Services is requested to submit the results of its study,
31 including any findings and recommendations, to the Legislature
32 no later than twenty days before the convening of the Regular
33 Session of 2024; and
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35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
36 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Human
37 Services.

