
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO PERFORM A STUDY
ON THE HOMELESS PROGRAMS OFFICE TO DETERMINE IF IT IS
ALLOCATING ADEQUATE 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, which
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, 424 individuals (395 adults and 29 children; 261
25 individuals were observed and 163 individuals were surveyed)
26 were experiencing unsheltered homelessness on the Waianae Coast;
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29 WHEREAS, this number represents 18 percent of the total
30 number of 2,355 individuals on Oahu who were experiencing
31 unsheltered homelessness on March 9, 2022, which is the third-



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1 highest percentage on Oahu, surpassed only by Region 1 (26
2 percent, or 622 individuals) and Region 2 (24 percent, or 575
3 individuals); and

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5 WHEREAS, in Region 7, 57 percent, or 82, of surveyed adults
6 were chronically homeless individuals; and

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8 WHEREAS, it is important to ensure that the Homeless
9 Programs Office, which is part of the Department of Human
10 Services, allocates adequate funding for each region of Oahu for
11 homeless services; now, therefore,

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13 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
14 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
15 Session of 2023, that the Department of Human Services is
16 requested to perform a study on the Homeless Programs Office to
17 determine if it is allocating adequate funding for each region
18 of Oahu for homeless services; and

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for the purposes of this study,
21 the regions of Oahu be delineated pursuant to the 2022 Point in
22 Time Count for Oahu; and

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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Human
25 Services shall submit the results of its study, including any
26 findings and recommendations, to the Legislature no later than
27 twenty days before the convening of the Regular Session of 2024;
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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
31 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Human Services.
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OFFERED BY:



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