
HOUSE 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;

10 (2) Region 2: East Honolulu;

11 (3) Region 3: Ewa, Kapolei;

12 (4) Region 4: Kaneohe to Waimanalo;

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

14 (6) Region 6: Upper Windward; and

15 (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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29 WHEREAS, this number represents eighteen percent of the
30 total number of two thousand three hundred fifty-five
31 individuals on Oahu who were experiencing unsheltered



1 homelessness on March 9, 2022, which is the third-highest
2 percentage on Oahu, surpassed only by Region 1 (twenty-six
3 percent, or six hundred twenty-two individuals) and Region 2
4 (twenty-four percent, or five hundred seventy-five individuals);
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7 WHEREAS, in Region 7, eighty-two individuals, or fifty-
8 seven percent, of surveyed adults were chronically homeless
9 individuals; and

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11 WHEREAS, it is important to ensure that adequate funding is
12 allocated for each region of Oahu for homeless services; now,
13 therefore,

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15 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
16 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
17 Session of 2023, that the Department of Human Services is
18 requested to perform a study to determine if the government as a
19 whole is adequately allocating funding for each region of Oahu
20 for homeless services; and

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

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26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Human
27 Services is requested to submit the results of its study,
28 including any findings and recommendations, to the Legislature
29 no later than twenty days before the convening of the Regular
30 Session of 2024; and

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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
33 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Human Services.

