A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY.

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

- SECTION 1. Chapter 801G, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
 and to read as follows:

 "§801G- Contract for administrative services. The
 department may contract the services of a third party to
- 5 department may contract the services of a third party to
- 6 administer the address confidentiality program under this
- 7 chapter."
- 8 SECTION 2. Section 801G-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
- 10 and to read as follows:
- ""Department" means the department of law enforcement."
- 12 SECTION 3. Section 801G-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 13 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- "(a) There is established the address confidentiality
- 15 program in the [office of the lieutenant governor] department to
- 16 protect the confidentiality of the actual address of a victim of
- 17 domestic abuse, a sexual offense, or stalking and to prevent the

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1	victim's	assailants or potential assailants from finding the
2	victim th	rough public records. The program shall:
3	(1)	Assign a substitute address to the program participant
4		that shall be used by agencies;
5	(2)	Receive first-class, certified, or registered mail
6		sent to a program participant at the substitute
7		address and forward the mail to the program
8		participant at no cost to the program participant;
9		provided that the program shall not be required to
10		track or maintain records of mail or to forward
11		packages, bulk mail, or pre-sorted mail; provided
12		further that the program shall maintain a log of
13		certified or registered mail or service of legal
14		process received on behalf of a program participant;
15		and
16	(3)	Act as the agent of the program participant for
17		purposes of service of all legal process in the
18		State."
19	SECTION 4. Section 801G-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
20	amended to read as follows:	

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1 "§801G-7 Appeal. Within thirty days of the date of the notice of denial of an application or of certification 2 cancellation, an applicant or program participant may submit a 3 written appeal to the [office of the lieutenant governor;] 4 department; provided that: 5 6 The appeal shall not be treated as a contested case as (1)7 defined in chapter 91; 8 (2) The appeal process shall not include a hearing; and The [office of the lieutenant governor's] department's 9 (3) 10 final determination shall not be subject to judicial 11 review." SECTION 5. Section 801G-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 12 13 amended to read as follows: 14 "\$801G-13 Rulemaking authority. The [office of the 15 licutenant governor] department shall adopt rules pursuant to 16 chapter 91 as necessary to carry out the purposes of this 17 chapter." 18 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general 19 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so 20 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and 21 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal

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- 1 year 2024-2025 for full-time equivalent (FTE) positions,
- 2 operating costs, and equipment to support the address
- 3 confidentiality program pursuant to chapter 801G, Hawaii Revised
- 4 Statutes.
- 5 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 6 of law enforcement for the purposes of this Act.
- 7 SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 9 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2024;
- 10 provided that section 6 shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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Address Confidentiality; Department of Law Enforcement; Office of the Lieutenant Governor; Appropriation

Description:

Changes the governmental entity responsible for the administration of the address confidentiality program from the office of the lieutenant governor to the department of the law enforcement beginning 1/1/2024. Authorizes the department of law enforcement to contract the services of a third party to administer the program. Appropriates funds for full-time equivalent positions, operating costs, and equipment to support the department of law enforcement's criminal justice data center in administering the address confidentiality program.

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