

# GOV. MSG. NO. 1200

#### EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA

June 27, 2024

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 27, 2024, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2837 SD2 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO THE OAHU REGIONAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION. ACT 099

Sincerely,

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

Approved by the Governor

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THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024 STATE OF HAWAII

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO THE OAHU REGIONAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there is currently 2 no state veterans home to serve the needs of the veterans 3 community on the island of Maui. State veterans homes are 4 facilities that provide long-term care and rehabilitation care 5 for veterans, their spouses, and gold-star parents. State 6 veterans homes are funded primarily through the United States 7 Department of Veterans Affairs and medicare or medicaid funds. 8 The legislature further finds that development plans for 9 the construction of the Maui state veterans home are currently 10 being undertaken by the department of defense. However, 11 management, operation, and staffing of the Maui state veterans 12 home should be placed under a state agency that is able to 13 manage a long-term care facility.

14 The purpose of this Act is to transfer the Maui state
15 veterans home to the Oahu regional health care system or a state
16 agency having a Maui affiliation.

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1	SECTI	ON 2. Section 323F-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by	amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
3	"(b)	The corporate organization shall be divided into five
4	regional s	systems, as follows:
5	(1)	The Oahu regional health care system[+], which may
6		include the state veterans home on Maui;
7	(2)	The Kauai regional health care system;
8	(3)	The Maui regional health care system;
9	(4)	The east Hawaii regional health care system,
10		comprising the Puna district, north Hilo district,
11		south Hilo district, Hamakua district, and Kau
12		district; and
13	(5)	The west Hawaii regional health care system,
14		comprising the north Kohala district, south Kohala
15		district, north Kona district, and south Kona
16		district;
17	and shall	be identified as regional systems I, II, III, IV, and
18	V, respectively."	
19	SECTION 3. (a) No later than June 30, 2027, the Maui	
20	state veterans home shall be assimilated into a state agency	
21	having a Maui affiliation, in a manner and to an extent that may	

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be negotiated between the Oahu regional health care system or 1 state agency having a Maui affiliation and the department of 2 defense. After assimilation, the physical assets and the ground 3 lease of the Maui state veterans home shall become the property 4 5 of and be managed by the agency into which the Maui state 6 veterans home is assimilated.

7 (b) No liabilities of the Maui state veterans home that 8 are in existence at the time the Maui state veterans home is 9 assimilated into a state agency having a Maui affiliation shall 10 become liabilities of the agency into which the Maui state 11 veterans home is assimilated.

12 (c) The assimilation of the Maui state veterans home into 13 the Oahu regional health care system or a state agency having a 14 Maui affiliation pursuant to this Act shall not be affected by the amendments made to section 323F-2(b), Hawaii Revised 15 Statutes, pursuant to section 2 of Act 212, Session Laws of 16 Hawaii 2021, as amended by Act 150, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022. 17 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 19 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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27th day of June , 2024 APPROVED this

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

## THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: May 1, 2024 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 2024.

President of the Senate

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Clerk of the Senate

### THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 1, 2024 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 2024.

Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita Chief Clerk House of Representatives