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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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 is 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 able to manage a  
13 long-term care facility.

14           The purpose of this Act is to:

15           (1) Temporarily authorize the Oahu regional health care  
16           system to oversee the operations and management



1 agreement of the proposed state veterans home on Maui;  
2 and

3 (2) Set forth the timeline and process whereby permanent  
4 oversight of the operations and management agreement  
5 of the proposed veterans home on Maui will be  
6 reassigned to the Maui regional health care system.

7 SECTION 2. Section 323F-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
8 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

9 "(b) The corporate organization shall be divided into five  
10 regional systems, as follows:

11 (1) The Oahu regional health care system[+], which shall  
12 have temporary ownership and oversight of the  
13 operations and management agreement of the proposed  
14 state veterans home on Maui;

15 (2) The Kauai regional health care system;

16 (3) The Maui regional health care system[+], which shall  
17 secure ownership of the land of the proposed state  
18 veterans home on Maui and, by June 30, 2028, have  
19 permanent oversight of the operations and management  
20 agreement of the proposed state veterans home on Maui;



1           (4) The east Hawaii regional health care system,  
2                    comprising the Puna district, north Hilo district,  
3                    south Hilo district, Hamakua district, and Kau  
4                    district; and  
5           (5) The west Hawaii regional health care system,  
6                    comprising the north Kohala district, south Kohala  
7                    district, north Kona district, and south Kona  
8                    district;  
9 and shall be identified as regional systems I, II, III, IV, and  
10 V, respectively."

11           SECTION 3. (a) No later than June 30, 2027, the Maui  
12 state veterans home shall be assigned temporary ownership and  
13 oversight to the Oahu regional health care system. No later  
14 than June 30, 2028, permanent ownership and oversight of the  
15 operations and management agreement for the proposed Maui state  
16 veterans home shall be transferred from the Oahu regional health  
17 care system to the Maui regional health care system.

18           (b) None of the liabilities of the Maui state veterans  
19 home in existence at the time the Maui state veterans home is  
20 temporarily assigned into the Oahu regional health care system



1 or another state agency shall become liabilities of the Oahu  
2 regional health care system or another state agency.

3 (c) At least thirty days prior to the convening of the  
4 regular sessions of 2025, 2026, and 2027, the Maui regional  
5 health care system shall submit a report to the legislature on  
6 its progress in reconstituting its board and managing entities  
7 to facilitate the regional system's ability to exercise  
8 permanent ownership and oversight of the operations and  
9 management agreement of the proposed state veterans home on Maui  
10 to ensure that any benefits, including revenues and other  
11 community benefits, shall be first used to reduce any state  
12 subsidies to the Maui regional health system and secondly for  
13 the benefit of health care within the Maui regional health  
14 system.

15 (d) At least thirty days prior to the convening of the  
16 regular sessions of 2025, 2026, and 2027, the department of  
17 defense, Maui regional health care system, and Oahu regional  
18 health care system shall submit a joint report to the  
19 legislature on the progress of the proposed Maui state veterans  
20 home, including the determination and finalization of location



1 of the site for the Maui state veterans home, and the securing  
2 of federal funds for the proposed Maui state veterans home.

3 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



**Report Title:**

Oahu Regional Health Care System; Maui Regional Health Care System; HHSC; DOH; Maui State Veterans Home; Transition

**Description:**

Temporarily authorizes the Oahu regional health care system to oversee the operations and management agreement of the proposed state veterans home on Maui. Establishes a timeline and process for the permanent oversight of the operations and management agreement of the proposed veterans home on Maui to be reassigned to the Maui regional health care system. Effective 7/1/3000.  
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