

JAN 17 2025

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CERTIFIED CAREGIVERS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 321-11.2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
3 "(a) The department of health is authorized to certify
4 adult foster homes for individuals with developmental or
5 intellectual disabilities requiring care beyond the individual's
6 eighteenth birthday. "Adult foster home" means a private family
7 home providing care on a twenty-four hour basis to adults with
8 developmental or intellectual disabilities. To be certified, an
9 adult foster home shall house not more than two adults with
10 developmental or intellectual disabilities who are unrelated to
11 the certified caregiver at the same time. The director of
12 health may waive the two-adult limit for certification of that
13 home as an adult foster home; provided that the total number of
14 adults with developmental or intellectual disabilities in the
15 home shall not exceed three adults with developmental or
16 intellectual disabilities who are related or unrelated to the
17 certified caregiver.



1 For the purposes of this subsection:

2 "Certified caregiver" means an individual who is [~~twenty~~
3 ~~one~~] eighteen years of age or older, resides in an adult foster
4 home, and has been issued by the department a valid certificate
5 of approval to provide care, training, and supervision on a
6 twenty-four hour basis to adults with developmental or
7 intellectual disabilities.

8 "Related" means connected by legal guardianship,
9 trusteeship, blood, marriage, or a legal relationship between
10 the certified caregiver and the adult with developmental or
11 intellectual disabilities."

12 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: _____

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S.B. NO. 1059

Report Title:

Adult Foster Homes; Certified Caregiver

Description:

Lowers the minimum age that a certified caregiver for an adult foster home must be from twenty-one to eighteen.

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