

JAN 23 2025

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSITIONAL HOMES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 346, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§346- Hawaii efficient transitional homes commission.

5 (a) There is established within the department the Hawaii
6 efficient transitional homes commission to:

7 (1) Oversee the strategic development, operation, and
8 funding of transitional homes;

9 (2) Enhance the efficient management of transitional homes
10 through technology and data-driven approaches; and

11 (3) Promote accountability through the development of
12 performance metrics and recommendations for
13 transparent operations.

14 (b) The commission shall comprise:

15 (1) The director of health, or the director's designee;

16 (2) The director of public safety, or the director's
17 designee;



1 (3) The director of corrections and rehabilitation, or the
2 director's designee;

3 (4) The director of human services, or the director's
4 designee;

5 (5) The administrator of the state health planning and
6 development agency, or the administrator's designee;

7 (6) A representative of the judiciary; and

8 (7) _____ members representing relevant nonprofit
9 organizations, including organizations working in
10 technology, to be selected by the chairperson of the
11 commission and invited to participate.

12 (c) The commission shall select a chairperson from among
13 its members.

14 (d) Members of the commission shall serve without
15 compensation but may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses,
16 including travel expenses, incurred in carrying out their
17 duties.

18 (e) The commission shall develop performance metrics and
19 recommendations for the efficient, effective, and transparent
20 management of transitional homes, including recommendations
21 regarding:



- 1 (1) Lean management practices for transitional home
2 operations, focusing on quality service delivery;
- 3 (2) The use of technology for real-time monitoring of home
4 conditions and residents' needs;
- 5 (3) The establishment of community liaison roles within
6 each transitional home to manage relations, feedback,
7 and reintegration efforts;
- 8 (4) The establishment of resident-led advisory boards
9 within each transitional home to influence policy and
10 operational decisions;
- 11 (5) The use of artificial intelligence and analytics for
12 performance audits, to ensure the rapid identification
13 and correction of inefficiencies;
- 14 (6) The development of an interactive public dashboard to
15 provide transparency regarding the transitional homes'
16 operations, finances, and outcomes;
- 17 (7) The development of a digital platform to allow
18 stakeholder feedback and community input on the
19 management of transitional homes;
- 20 (8) The establishment of key performance metrics for
21 transitional homes, focused on resident outcomes,



1 operational efficiency, and community satisfaction;

2 and

3 (9) The monitoring and enforcement of statutory limits on
4 the residency of transitional homes, which allow two
5 residents and a resident manager.

6 (f) The commission shall submit a report of its findings
7 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
8 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
9 each regular session, beginning with the regular session of
10 2026.

11 (g) For the purposes of this section, "transitional home"
12 means a residence for persons needing support in recovery or
13 disability care, or in transitioning from homelessness or
14 incarceration. "Transitional home" includes clean and sober
15 homes."

16 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY: 

S.B. NO. 1288

Report Title:

Transitional Homes; Commission; Recommendations; Reports

Description:

Establishes the Hawaii Efficient Transitional Homes Commission to provide recommendations for the efficient, effective, and transparent management of transitional homes. Requires annual reports to the Legislature.

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