
SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS TO PARTNER WITH THE OFFICE OF
WELLNESS AND RESILIENCE FOR SECURE AND APPROPRIATE DATA
SHARING AGREEMENTS.

1 WHEREAS, the strengthening of state services, provision of
2 trauma-informed care and programs, and the wellness and
3 resilience of Hawaii are priorities of the State; and
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5 WHEREAS, the Office of Wellness and Resilience's purpose is
6 to address the barriers that impact an individual's social,
7 physical, and emotional well-being through a trauma-informed
8 framework; and
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10 WHEREAS, the Office of Wellness and Resilience develops new
11 programs and improves existing programs and efforts of
12 trauma-informed care through collaborative state and private
13 efforts; and
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15 WHEREAS, the Office of Wellness and Resilience identifies
16 and partners with state departments and the private sector to
17 address the common issues, needs, and challenges faced by these
18 entities and those they serve; and
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20 WHEREAS, state departments provide resources, guidance, and
21 other subject-specific aid and programs to address the specific
22 needs and challenges of the community; and
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24 WHEREAS, the Office of Wellness and Resilience is required
25 by Act 291, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, codified at part IX of
26 chapter 27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to create a social
27 determinants of health electronic dashboard that identifies a
28 baseline of needs and concerns that impede high quality-of-life
29 outcomes; and
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31 WHEREAS, in December 2024, the Office of Wellness and
32 Resilience launched the Quality of Life and Well-Being Dashboard
33 to fulfill this statutory mandate; and



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2 WHEREAS, the dashboard represents the largest survey of
3 health and well-being in the State to date and will allow the
4 Office of Wellness and Resilience to examine community needs
5 through a data-driven lens, leading to the development of
6 effective, evidence-based, and trauma-informed strategies; and
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8 WHEREAS, many state datasets, however, remain siloed within
9 individual departments using different data collection
10 methodologies, making it difficult for the Office of Wellness
11 and Resilience to navigate and perform cross-departmental
12 analyses; and
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14 WHEREAS, data-sharing agreements between the Office of
15 Wellness and Resilience and state departments will allow the
16 Office of Wellness and Resilience to integrate data from
17 multiple sources and provide community members and policymakers
18 with a comprehensive understanding of community challenges that
19 would not be apparent when data is analyzed in isolation; now,
20 therefore,
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22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
23 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025,
24 that all state departments are urged to partner with the Office
25 of Wellness and Resilience for the purpose of secure and
26 appropriate data sharing agreements that protect the privacy and
27 confidentiality of residents to encourage further study of the
28 needs and challenges of the community and the development of
29 effective aid programs and strategies to address these needs and
30 challenges for the community; and
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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Wellness and
33 Resilience is urged to adhere to strict data governance
34 protocols while partnering with state departments to seek
35 deidentified, aggregated, anonymized data to protect individual
36 privacy while effectively addressing community needs; and
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38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
39 Resolution be transmitted to the Comptroller; Chairperson of the
40 Board of Agriculture; Attorney General; Director of Finance;
41 Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism;
42 Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; Director of



1 Corrections and Rehabilitation; Adjutant General; Chairperson of
2 the Board of Education; Superintendent of Education; Chairperson
3 of the Hawaiian Homes Commission; Director of Health; Director
4 of Human Resources Development; Director of Human Services;
5 Director of Labor and Industrial Relations; Chairperson of the
6 Board of Land and Natural Resources; Director of Law
7 Enforcement; Director of Taxation; and Director of
8 Transportation.

