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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERANS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 99, Session Laws  
2 of Hawaii 2024 (Act 99), requires the transfer of the Maui state  
3 veterans home to a state agency having a Maui affiliation.

4           The legislature also finds that the Maui state veterans  
5 home is a proposed long-term health care facility that is  
6 anticipated to offer skilled nursing, rehabilitation therapies,  
7 hospice, Alzheimer's disease, and respite care. The legislature  
8 passed Act 99 in recognition that this facility should be placed  
9 under a state agency having the expertise to manage a long-term  
10 care facility.

11           Act 99 required the assimilation of the Maui state veterans  
12 home into a state agency no later than June 30, 2027. However,  
13 the legislature finds that the transfer of the Maui state  
14 veterans home is highly complex because of logistical, labor  
15 relations, and financial issues. Therefore, it is necessary to  
16 reexamine this deadline to ensure that the intent of Act 99,  
17 Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, is properly achieved.



1           Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is repeal the June 30,  
2 2027, deadline for the transfer of the Maui state veterans home  
3 and instead require the transfer of the Maui state veterans home  
4 to be completed as soon as practicable.

5           SECTION 2. Section 3 of Act 99, Session Laws of Hawaii  
6 2024, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

7           "(a) [~~No later than June 30, 2027,~~] As soon as  
8 practicable, the Maui state veterans home shall be assimilated  
9 into a state agency having a Maui affiliation, in a manner and  
10 to an extent that may be negotiated between the Oahu regional  
11 health care system or state agency having a Maui affiliation and  
12 the department of defense. After assimilation, the physical  
13 assets and the ground lease of the Maui state veterans home  
14 shall become the property of and be managed by the agency into  
15 which the Maui state veterans home is assimilated."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  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

18           SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



**Report Title:**

Maui State Veterans Home; HHSC; Oahu Regional Health Care System; State Agency; Maui Affiliation; Transfer; Deadline

**Description:**

Repeals the specific deadline by which the Maui State Veterans Home must be assimilated into a state agency having a Maui affiliation. Requires the transfer of the Maui State Veterans Home to be completed as soon as practicable. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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