

A Bill for an Act Relating to Medical Research, Morbidity and Mortality Information.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 324-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“Sec. 324-21 Sources of information protected. Any person, public or private medical facility, or social or educational agency, may provide information, interviews, reports, statements, memoranda, or other data or relevant material relating to individuals with cancer to the Hawaii tumor registry. Such information may be used in the course of any cancer research study approved by the cancer commission of the Hawaii medical association.

Hospitals, skilled nursing homes and intermediate care homes shall submit a report of any person admitted with or diagnosed as having cancer to the Hawaii tumor registry on a form approved by the cancer commission of the Hawaii medical association. The Hawaii tumor registry staff may assist such hospitals and institutions in the preparation of such report forms.

No liability of any kind or character for damages or other relief shall arise or be enforced against any person or organization by reason of having provided the information or material, or by reason of having released or published the findings, conclusions, and summaries of the researchers to advanced medical research and medical education.”

SECTION 2. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the underscoring.*

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

(Approved May 3, 1976.)

*Edited accordingly.