ACT 209

H.B. NO. 168

A Bill for an Act Relating to Intake Service Centers.

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

SECTION 1. Section 353-1.3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

"Sec. 353-1.3 Creation of intake service center advisory board. There shall be an intake service center advisory board, hereinafter called the board. The board shall consist of fifteen members who shall be appointed by the governor for a term ending on the day that the governor completes his term of office, but who shall continue to serve on the board until their successors are appointed. Three members each shall be selected from the judiciary and among private social service agencies. Two members each shall be selected from the department of social services and housing, the department of health, from among the police departments of the counties, from among the prosecuting attorneys of the counties, and the remaining member shall be the public defender. A vacancy occurring in the membership shall be filled for the unexpired term thereof. The board shall select its chairman from one of its appointed members. The members shall receive no compensation for their services on the board, but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

The board shall advise and recommend to the governor policies, directions, priorities, and procedures for the operation of intake service centers and conduct at periodic intervals a review of the performance of intake service centers."

SECTION 2. Section 353-1.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

"Sec. 353-1.4 Creation of intake service center. There shall be an intake service center for each of the counties. Each center shall be directed and managed by a director. The director of the Oahu intake service center shall be appointed by the governor pursuant to section 353-1.3 without regard to chapters 76 and 77, but shall meet the qualifications for the position determined by the department of personnel services. The director of the Oahu intake service center shall appoint the directors of the other intake service centers pursuant to chapters 76 and 77. The director of the Oahu intake service center shall be the over-all state executive director of all the intake service centers and shall manage, control and direct all of the intake service centers and provide periodic reports not less than annually on their operations to the governor and the intake service center advisory board. Any center may be integrated with and operated concurrently with a community correctional center. The intake service center shall:

- Provide guidance and technical services for volunteer referrals and to admitted persons, correctional diagnostic and evaluation services for diversionary determinations, pre-sentence correctional prescription program planning for committee persons;
- (2) Provide non-custodial and program services for persons awaiting judicial disposition who have not been conditionally released;
- (3) Provide such other personal and correctional services as needed;
- (4) Monitor and record the progress of persons admitted to the center, who undergo further treatment or who participate in prescribed correctional programs;
- (5) Refer persons admitted to the center in selected cases, to community programs pending judicial disposition or where judicial proceedings are discontinued or suspended;
- (6) Provide for adult persons, correctional services including but not limited to orientation, social, psychiatric-psychological evaluations, employment counseling, social inventory and programming, medical and dental services, and referral services to community programs.

The intake service center may be staffed by full-time or part-time professional and clerical staff appointed pursuant to chapters 76 and 77, or utilize contractual professional services."

SECTION 3. All full-time employees of the intake service center currently not in civil service shall have civil service status within the meaning of chapters 76 and 77, Hawaii Revised Statutes, without the necessity of examination and shall be accorded all the rights, benefits and privileges attributable thereto, including seniority, prior service credit for retirement, classification and promotional purposes, vacation and sick leave benefits, subject to the following:

- (1) Employees who have at least one full year of service immediately preceding the date of transfer shall be given status as regular employees of the state civil service without competitive examination; and
- (2) Employees employed less than one full year shall be given initial probationary appointment without competitive examination.

SECTION 4. Civil service compensation. Positions held by employees converted to civil service status shall be assigned by the director of personnel services to the appropriate class in the position classification plan and the employees shall be paid in accordance with the salary range to which the class is assigned; provided that employees receiving a salary above the minimum rate at the time of their transfer may be paid at a rate higher than the minimum but not exceeding the highest pay rate in the appropriate salary range.

SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 20, 1977.)

*Edited accordingly.