

A Bill for an Act Relating to Mental Health.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 321, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding to part I a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§321- Certified forensic examination fees. (a) The department of health, by rules adopted pursuant to chapter 91, shall establish fees for application and certification as certified forensic examiners, to be paid by the applicant at the onset of the application process. The fees shall cover the costs of training, examination, certification, and monitoring.

(b) All moneys collected as fees pursuant to subsection (a) shall be deposited into the mental health and substance abuse special fund established by section 334-15.

(c) All funds deposited in the mental health and substance abuse special fund pursuant to subsection (b) shall be used exclusively to support the activities relating to the application, training, certification, and monitoring of the certified forensic examination program.”

SECTION 2. Section 334-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

“(a) There is established a special fund to be known as the mental health and substance abuse special fund into which shall be deposited all revenues and other moneys collected from certification programs and treatment services rendered by the mental health and substance abuse programs operated by the State. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the department is authorized to establish separate accounts within the special fund for depositing moneys received from certification programs and from each mental health and substance abuse program. Moneys deposited into the respective accounts of each program shall be used for the payment of the operating expenses of the respective program.”

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 20, 1995.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.