

ACT 33

H.B. NO. 2539

A Bill for an Act Relating to Hospitals.

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

SECTION 1. Section 323D-49, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“**§323D-49 Certificates of need^[s]; licenses and permits.** (a) No permit or license shall be issued by any county or state officer for the development, construction, expansion, alteration, conversion, initiation, or modification of a health care facility or health care service, other than an existing hospital, or for the operation of a new health care facility or health care service unless there is submitted in connection with the application for such permit or license a current certificate of need issued by the state agency or a statement issued by the state agency that the health care facility or health care service is not required to hold a certificate of need under this part.

(b) No building permit shall be issued by any county or state officer for the development, construction, expansion, alteration, conversion, initiation, or modification of an existing hospital unless there is submitted in connection with the application for such building permit a current certificate of need issued by the state agency or a statement issued by the state agency that the existing hospital is not required to hold a certificate of need under this part.’’

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

(Approved April 29, 2004.)