

## ACT 150

S.B. NO. 1018

A Bill for an Act Relating to Human Services.

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

SECTION 1. (a) There is established a temporary private preschool licensing and accreditation task force, under the department of human services for administrative purposes, to be convened jointly by the members of the task force.

The task force shall develop recommendations for licensing and accreditation standards, policies, and procedures for private elementary schools serving children under the age of five, with special focus on the policies and procedures of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and the health and safety standards of the department of human services.

(b) The task force shall consist of five members as follows:

- (1) The director of human services or the director's designee;
- (2) The executive director of the Good Beginnings Alliance;
- (3) The executive director of the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools;
- (4) The superintendent of the Hawaii Catholic Schools; and
- (5) A representative from the Hawaii Business Roundtable.

(c) A majority of the members of the task force shall constitute a quorum of the task force. A quorum shall be required to approve standards, policies, and procedures developed by the task force pursuant to this section.

(d) Members of the temporary private preschool licensing and accreditation task force shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed by their respective agencies for expenses, including travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.

(e) The task force shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any recommended legislation, to the department of human services and to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2006. The report shall serve as a basis for legislation or for administrative rule amendments by the department of human services.

(f) The task force shall cease to exist on June 30, 2006.

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**SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2005.**

**(Approved June 23, 2005.)**