

ACT 6

H.B. NO. 2138

A Bill for an Act Relating to Caregiver Recognition Day.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§8- Caregiver Recognition Day. The first Saturday of November shall be known and designated as “Caregiver Recognition Day”, in recognition of the very significant role that caregivers play in support of Hawaii’s elderly and persons with disabilities. This day is not and shall not be construed as a state holiday.

As used in this section, “caregiver” means any person who has undertaken the care, custody, or physical assistance of an elderly or disabled person, including but not limited to compensated or uncompensated family members or other relatives, or any person who has the desire, or a legal, or contractual duty to care for the health, safety, and welfare of an elderly or disabled person, including owners, operators, employees, or staff of long-term care facilities and community home-based institutions.”

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.¹

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

(Approved April 4, 2008.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.