

ACT 39

H.B. NO. 2578

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Advisory Council for Community Services.

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

SECTION 1. Section 371K-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

**“§371K-3 General functions, duties, and powers of the executive director.**

The executive director shall:

- (1) Serve as the principal official in state government responsible for the coordination of programs for the needy, poor, and disadvantaged persons, refugees, and immigrants;
- (2) Oversee, supervise, and direct the performance by subordinates of activities in such areas as planning, evaluation, and coordination of programs for disadvantaged persons, refugees, and immigrants and development of a statewide service delivery network;
- (3) Assess the policies and practices of public and private agencies impacting on the disadvantaged and conduct advocacy efforts on behalf of the disadvantaged, refugees, and immigrants;
- (4) Devise and recommend legislative and administrative actions for the improvement of services for the disadvantaged, refugees, and immigrants;
- (5) Serve as a member of advisory boards and panels of state agencies in such areas as child development programs, elder programs, social services programs, health and medical assistance programs, refugee assistance programs, and immigrant services programs;
- (6) Administer funds allocated for the office of community services; and apply for, receive, and disburse grants and donations from all sources for programs and services to assist the disadvantaged, refugees, and immigrants;

- (7) Adopt, amend, and repeal rules pursuant to chapter 91 for purposes of this chapter;
- (8) Retain such staff as may be necessary for the purposes of this chapter, who may be exempt from chapter 76; and
- (9) Contract for services as may be necessary for the purposes of this chapter[;
- ~~(10) Orient members of the advisory council to the goals, functions, and programs of the office; and~~
- ~~(11) Seek the input of council members on all matters pertaining to the functions of the office].”~~

SECTION 2. Section 371K-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is repealed.

SECTION 3. Section 371K-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is repealed.

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.<sup>1</sup> New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 20, 2012.)

**Note**

- 1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.