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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by
2	adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read
3	as follows:
4	"CHAPTER
5	HAWAII HEALTH COMMISSION
6	§ -1 Hawaii health commission; establishment. (a)
7	There is established within the department of budget and finance
8	for administrative purposes the Hawaii health commission. The
9	commission shall be an autonomous public body corporate and
10	politic and an instrumentality of the State.
11	(b) The commission shall be composed of nine members
12	appointed by the governor as provided in section 26-34; provided
13	that three members shall be appointed from a list of nominees
14	submitted by the speaker of the house of representatives and
15	three members shall be appointed from a list of nominees
16	submitted by the president of the senate. All members shall be
17	appointed for terms of four years each.

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(c) An executive director shall be selected by the
 members.

3 (d) Each member shall hold office until the member's4 successor is appointed and qualified.

5 (e) Five members shall constitute a quorum, whose
6 affirmative vote shall be necessary for all valid actions by the
7 commission.

8 § -2 Duties and responsibilities. (a) The commission
9 shall be responsible for overall health planning for the state
10 and shall be responsible for determining future capacity needs
11 of health providers, facilities, equipment, and support services
12 providers.

13 (b) The commission shall develop a comprehensive health14 plan that includes:

- 15 (1) Determination of eligibility for inclusion in a health16 plan for all individuals;
- 17 (2) Determination of all reimbursable services to be paid18 by the commission;
- 19 (3) Determination of all approved providers of services in20 a health plan for all individuals;
- 21 (4) Evaluation of the quality and cost-effectiveness of

all aspects of a health plan for all individuals; and HB56 HD1 HMS 2007-1610



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1	(5) Establishment of a budget for a health plan for all
2	individuals in the state.
3	(c) The commission may seek waivers of federal law, rule,
4	or regulation necessary to implement and maintain the provisions
5	of this chapter.
6	(d) The commission shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter
7	91 necessary for the purposes of this chapter.
8	(e) The commission shall submit a comprehensive health
9	plan for all individuals in the state, including its findings
10	and recommendations, to the legislature no later than twenty
11	days before the convening of the regular session of 2009."
12	SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
13	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$200,000, or so much
14	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, for the
15	purpose of operating the Hawaii health commission.
16	The sum shall be expended by the department of budget and
17	finance for the purposes of this Act.
18	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval,

19 except that section 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

Universal Health Care

Description:

Establishes the Hawaii Health Commission to develop a plan for health care for all individuals in the state. (HB56 HD1)

