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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EPILEPSY DISEASE ASSISTANCE.

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

1           SECTION 1. (a) There is established within the department  
2 of health for administrative purposes an epilepsy networking  
3 task force. The disability and communication access board shall  
4 be responsible for administering the work of the epilepsy  
5 networking task force, providing a facilitator, and submitting a  
6 report to the legislature. The goal of the task force shall be  
7 to establish a program to link networks on epilepsy to provide  
8 epilepsy education, awareness, and treatment initiatives  
9 designed to address service gaps and treatment needs of the  
10 people affected by epilepsy.

11           (b) The members of the epilepsy networking task force  
12 shall consist of seven members as follows:

13           (1) A member of the house of representatives appointed by  
14           the speaker of the house of representatives;

15           (2) A member of the senate appointed by the president of  
16           the senate;

17           (3) The director of health or the director's designee;



- 1           (4) Two members who have been diagnosed with epilepsy  
2                    appointed by the governor;
- 3           (5) The executive director of the Epilepsy Foundation of  
4                    Hawaii or the executive director's designee; and
- 5           (6) The medical director of the Queen's Medical Center's  
6                    Epilepsy Center or the medical director's designee.
- 7           (c) The epilepsy networking task force shall be exempt  
8                    from chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
- 9           (d) The epilepsy networking task force shall submit a  
10                   report of its findings and recommendations, including any  
11                   proposed legislation no later than twenty days prior to the  
12                   convening of the regular session of 2009.
- 13           (e) The epilepsy networking task force shall cease to  
14                   exist on June 30, 2009.
- 15           SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



**Report Title:**

Epilepsy Networking Task Force

**Description:**

Creates epilepsy networking task force to establish a program to link networks on epilepsy, provide epilepsy education, awareness, and treatment initiatives designed to address service gaps and treatment needs of the people affected by epilepsy.

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