
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LEAHI HOSPITAL MASTER PLAN.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that virtually all of
2 Hawaii's senior citizens want to age in place at home rather
3 than in a care home or institution, yet many will need a more
4 intensive caregiving environment in their later years. Medicaid
5 long-term care costs for the State have been increasing steadily
6 and financial projections portend significantly greater costs,
7 especially with baby boomers starting to retire. Public policy
8 goals for long-term care currently include:

- 9 (1) Creating a continuum of care, up to and including the
10 terminal phase of life;
- 11 (2) Coordinating referral and case management through
12 single-entry contact;
- 13 (3) Building a family caregiver support system to
14 encourage care of disabled elderly;
- 15 (4) Expanding the capacity of long-term care service
16 providers;



- 1 (5) Stimulating and coordinating research, education, and
- 2 training on aging issues; and
- 3 (6) Developing a cost-effective service delivery and
- 4 financial assistance approach for long-term care
- 5 services.

6 The legislature further finds that co-locating key parts of
7 a long-term care system would encourage holistic and integrative
8 thinking, stimulate creativity and pilot programs, enhance cost
9 efficiencies, centralize access to services, and focus public
10 attention on aging issues.

11 Leahi hospital has begun the process of developing a master
12 plan to address the State's long-term care public policy goals.
13 Leahi hospital is the State's oldest and largest long-term care
14 facility that has had no major construction since 1951. Opened
15 in 1902, Leahi hospital is centrally located in the east
16 Honolulu urban region and has one hundred seventy-nine skilled
17 nursing facility/intermediate care facility beds and eleven
18 tuberculosis beds spread among five buildings on a 6.7 acre
19 campus, which is adjacent to ten acres of state property of
20 which parts are vacant and others contain aging buildings.
21 Kapiolani community college, with its family caregiver training
22 program, is also located next to Leahi hospital.



1 The process of developing a master plan for Leahi hospital
2 will offer an opportunity to create innovative and effective
3 models of long-term care services, including residential care.
4 The purpose of this Act is to give expression to long-term care
5 public policy goals by developing a master plan for long-term
6 care for Leahi hospital.

7 SECTION 2. Leahi hospital; long-term care master plan;
8 task force; report. (a) The Hawaii health systems corporation
9 Oahu regional board shall convene a task force to develop a
10 long-term care master plan for Leahi hospital and adjacent state
11 lands totaling 16.4 acres. The task force shall consist of
12 seventeen members as follows:

- 13 (1) Five members shall be appointed by the governor;
- 14 (2) Five members shall be appointed by the president of
15 the senate;
- 16 (3) Five members shall be appointed by the speaker of the
17 house of representatives;
- 18 (4) One member shall be the president of the University of
19 Hawaii or the president's designee;
- 20 (5) One member shall be the administrator of Leahi
21 hospital or the administrator's designee; and



1 (6) One member shall be the chairperson of the regional
2 board in which Leahi hospital is located or the
3 chairperson's designee.

4 (b) Members shall serve a term of two years and shall have
5 a background in one or more of the following areas:

6 (1) Long-term care or aging services;

7 (2) Leahi clinical operations;

8 (3) Research or education;

9 (4) Aging or disability advocacy;

10 (5) Residential care facilities development;

11 (6) Architecture or interior design; and

12 (7) Project planning and supervision.

13 (c) The task force shall select its chair, who shall
14 commence task force meetings, and vice chair, and shall adopt
15 rules for the conduct of its work. The task force shall conduct
16 its business in a collaborative manner and include interested
17 stakeholders who wish to contribute to the master plan.

18 (d) The master plan shall:

19 (1) Provide guidance for future development of the Leahi
20 campus and other parcels by improving the hospital's
21 facilities while addressing the State's long-term care
22 goals;



- 1 (2) Provide the conceptual framework for Leahi hospital's
2 role in developing a continuum of care system in
3 Hawaii;
- 4 (3) Articulate the principles, goals, and strategies for
5 development;
- 6 (4) Update Leahi hospital's mission and vision;
- 7 (5) Recommend an implementation plan in phases over a ten-
8 year period, and near-term actions including a
9 financial feasibility study;
- 10 (6) Include the following tax map keys: 3-2-30:1,
11 3-2-31:1, 3-2-31:15, 3-2-32:1, 3-2-33:1, and 3-2-33:3
12 in the description of its master plan;
- 13 (7) Provide programs that may include:
- 14 (A) Long-term care and family caregiver education and
15 training;
- 16 (B) Innovative models of residential care;
- 17 (C) Long-term care and geriatric services; and
- 18 (D) Community-based programs such as adult day care
19 and day health, respite care; assistive
20 technology; University of Hawaii center on aging
21 research and education programs; and aging and
22 disability resource center programs;



1 (8) Include resources to enable Leahi hospital to become a
2 teaching center on "best practices" in long-term care
3 for service providers and facilities managers
4 throughout the State;

5 (9) Provide an inventory of lands and facilities;

6 (10) Identify issues regarding land tenure and identify
7 action steps and make recommendations necessary to
8 implement the master plan;

9 (11) Address administration of lands and facilities by an
10 independent authority to be established; and

11 (12) Recommend options for governance of lands and
12 facilities.

13 (e) The task force shall complete the master plan by
14 December 31, 2010. The task force shall submit preliminary and
15 final reports of findings and recommendations, including any
16 necessary proposed legislation, no later than twenty days prior
17 to the convening of the regular sessions of 2009 and 2010,
18 respectively.

19 (f) The task force shall terminate on December 31, 2010.

20 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
21 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$375,000 or so much
22 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the



1 Hawaii health systems corporation Oahu regional board to
2 contract for professional assistance in developing the Leahi
3 hospital master plan and for staff support for the task force
4 described in section 2.

5 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii health
6 systems corporation Oahu regional board for the purposes of this
7 Act.

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval,
9 provided that section 3 shall take effect on July 1, 2008.



Report Title:

Leahi Hospital Master Plan; HHSC; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Hawaii health systems corporation Oahu regional board to convene a task force to develop a long-term care master plan for Leahi hospital. Appropriates funds to develop master plan and for support staff. (SD1)

