
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND ALL AGENCIES WITH
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES' CONTRACTS TO UPHOLD THEIR
NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY FOR GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, AND
TRANSGENDERED PERSONS

1 WHEREAS, in recent years, the number of hate crimes against
2 gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered persons have risen;
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5 WHEREAS, hate crimes against gay, lesbian, bisexual, and
6 transgendered persons now constitute the third-highest category
7 of hate crimes reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation,
8 and represent almost fourteen per cent of all hate crimes; and
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10 WHEREAS, hate crimes based on the victim's real or
11 perceived gender, sexual preference, gender identity, or
12 disability, hurts the community; and
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14 WHEREAS, only a minority of states include sexual
15 orientation in their hate crimes statutes; and
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17 WHEREAS, it is important for the Department of Human
18 Services and the service providers with contracts under this
19 Department to urge its' workers and recipients that it is not
20 acceptable to discriminate against individual's because of their
21 actual or perceived gender, sexual orientation, gender identity,
22 or disability, in addition to an individual's actual or
23 perceived race, color, religion, or national origin; and
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
26 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
27 of 2010, that the Department of Human Services is urged to
28 provide information to its workers and agencies under contract
29 regarding discrimination based on gender, sexual preference,
30 gender identity, or disability; and
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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
33 Resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House, Governor
34 of Hawaii, and the Director of the Department of Human Services.



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