

1 appointed for terms of four years each. The authority shall
2 elect a chairperson from among its members.

3 (c) The authority may appoint an executive director who
4 shall be exempt from chapters 76, 78, and 89.

5 (d) Each member shall hold office until the member's
6 successor is appointed and qualified.

7 (e) Five members shall constitute a quorum, whose
8 affirmative vote shall be necessary for all valid actions by the
9 authority.

10 § -2 Hawaii health authority; duties and

11 responsibilities. (a) The authority shall be responsible for
12 overall health planning for the State and shall be responsible
13 for determining future capacity needs of health providers,
14 facilities, equipment, and support services providers.

15 (b) The authority shall develop a comprehensive health
16 plan for all individuals in the State that includes:

- 17 (1) Establishment of eligibility requirements;
- 18 (2) Establishment of the scope of reimbursable services to
19 be paid by the authority;
- 20 (3) Establishment of qualifications for providers of
21 services participating in the health plan;



1 (4) Evaluation of health care and cost effectiveness of
2 all aspects of the health plan; and

3 (5) Establishment of a budget for the health plan.

4 (c) The authority may seek waivers of federal laws, rules,
5 or regulations necessary to implement and maintain the
6 provisions of this chapter.

7 (d) The authority shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91
8 necessary for the purposes of this chapter.

9 (e) The authority shall submit a comprehensive health plan
10 for all individuals in the State, including findings,
11 recommendations, and proposed implementing legislation, to the
12 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
13 the regular session of 2011."

14 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
16 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and
17 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
18 year 2010-2011 for the purpose of operating the Hawaii health
19 authority.

20 SECTION 3. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the
21 department of budget and finance for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
2 provided that section 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

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Description:

Establishes the Hawaii health authority to develop a health plan to provide healthcare coverage for all individuals in the State and makes an appropriation therefor. Requires report to 2011 regular session of the legislature.

