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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SENIOR CITIZENS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there is a growing  
2 problem with elderly persons in the State of Hawaii becoming  
3 disoriented or lost and that existing measures are inadequate to  
4 efficiently and effectively find and assist these senior  
5 citizens. An identification database of senior citizens who are  
6 at-risk of becoming lost would assist law enforcement and other  
7 agencies involved with the search and recovery efforts.

8           The purpose of this Act is to establish a task force to  
9 develop an efficient, cost-effective process for creating and  
10 operating an identification database of senior citizens who are  
11 at-risk of becoming lost to be used when senior citizens go  
12 missing.

13           SECTION 2. There is established a temporary task force,  
14 exempt from section 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to develop a  
15 system for finding missing or lost senior citizens using facial  
16 recognition software being developed by the department of the  
17 attorney general. The task force shall be attached to the  
18 department of the attorney general for administrative purposes.



1 The task force shall assist the county police departments and  
2 all state law enforcement entities and work in conjunction with  
3 the department of the attorney general to further develop the  
4 facial recognition software, establish and implement policies  
5 and procedures regarding the use and maintenance of the facial  
6 recognition software, and determine the most efficient and  
7 effective way to use the program in conjunction with other tools  
8 to assist in locating lost or missing senior citizens. The  
9 facial recognition database shall be for law enforcement and  
10 official use only, and shall not be accessible to the public.

11 SECTION 3. The task force membership shall include a  
12 representative from each of the following:

- 13 (1) The executive office on aging;
- 14 (2) Each of the four county police departments;
- 15 (3) The Association for the Advancement of Retired Persons  
16 (AARP);
- 17 (4) The department of public safety - sheriffs division;
- 18 (5) The University of Hawaii; and
- 19 (6) The National Association of Security Companies.

20 The task force shall report to the legislature on the scope and  
21 nature of the facial recognition system developed, the standards  
22 for implementation to ensure all agencies properly use the



1 facial recognition system, and all procedural information  
2 regarding use of the locator system.

3 SECTION 4. For the purposes of this Act:

4 "Local law enforcement" means a state or county law  
5 enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the investigation of  
6 missing or lost senior citizens.

7 "Senior citizen" means a person who is age sixty-five years  
8 or older.

9 SECTION 5. The task force shall submit to the legislature  
10 no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular  
11 session of 2011, a report on the findings and recommendations of  
12 the task force.

13 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2010.



**Report Title:**

Missing Senior Citizen; Task Force to Develop an Identification System

**Description:**

Establishes a task force to develop an efficient, cost-effective process for creating and operating an identification database of services and at-risk senior citizens if they go missing. (SD2)

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