
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in spite of efforts
2 by government and nonprofit organizations to provide overnight
3 shelter to homeless persons, many do not use homeless shelters
4 due to mental illness, drug addiction, an inability to conform
5 to shelter rules, or other reasons. There are still many
6 homeless persons who sleep in public parks, along sidewalks, and
7 other similar areas, which creates a concern for the State's
8 vital visitor industry.

9 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to
10 establish safe havens for persons who are homeless in designated
11 surplus or available open or vacant locations owned by the
12 State.

13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-2012 and the
16 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
17 2012-2013 to establish safe havens for persons who are homeless
18 in surplus or available open or vacant locations; provided that



1 the funds shall be used for safe haven facilities and uses
2 including:

- 3 (1) Providing pavilions with open walls and overhead
4 shelter;
- 5 (2) Providing showers and toilets;
- 6 (3) Providing potable water;
- 7 (4) Providing coin-operated clothes washing machines and
8 clothes drying machines;
- 9 (5) Providing lockers;
- 10 (6) Providing personnel for minimum security; and
- 11 (7) Maintaining the locations designated to serve as safe
12 havens for persons who are homeless;

13 provided further that camping at safe haven sites shall be
14 permitted only at night and each homeless person shall be
15 permitted to have a limited amount of possessions and a maximum
16 of one pet, as determined to be appropriate by the department of
17 human services. The department of human services shall adopt
18 rules pursuant to chapter 91 for purposes of implementing this
19 Act.

20 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
21 of human services for the purposes of this Act.

22 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



Report Title:

Homelessness; Safe Havens; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates an unspecified amount of funds to use surplus or available open or vacant space to establish a safe haven for persons who are homeless. Effective July 1, 2030. (SB900 HD2)

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