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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FAMILY JUSTICE CENTERS.

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

- 1           SECTION 1. (a) The department of human services may  
2 create a family justice center task force to consider the  
3 establishment of one or more multi-agency, multi-disciplinary  
4 family justice centers on any island in the State to assist  
5 victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, elder abuse, or  
6 human trafficking, as well as to provide family-based social  
7 services.
- 8           (b) The family justice center task force shall consist of  
9 the following members:
- 10           (1) The director of the department of human services or  
11           the director's designee;
- 12           (2) The director of the department of health or the  
13           director's designee;
- 14           (3) The director of the department of education or the  
15           director's designee;
- 16           (4) A representative from the Honolulu prosecutor's  
17           office;
- 18           (5) A representative from family court;



- 1       (6) Two social workers from the department of human  
2            services;
- 3       (7) Three members from organizations that provide services  
4            for domestic violence victims; provided that each  
5            member shall be from a different county;
- 6       (8) The director of the executive office on aging or the  
7            director's designee;
- 8       (9) Three members from long term care organizations;
- 9       (10) Three members from organizations that assist victims  
10           of human trafficking;
- 11       (11) One member to be designated by the speaker of the  
12           house of representatives; and
- 13       (12) One member to be designated by the president of the  
14           senate.
- 15       (c) The family justice center task force's members shall  
16       serve without compensation.
- 17       (d) The family justice center task force shall:
  - 18       (1) Coordinate with relevant state and county agencies and  
19           local nonprofit service providers to identify those  
20           services that are most needed;
  - 21       (2) Identify all federal, state, county, or private funds  
22           for the establishment of a family justice center; and



1           (3) Develop an informed consent process to authorize the  
2           sharing of confidential, privileged, or protected  
3           information between individuals or agencies working in  
4           a center.

5           (e) The task force shall submit a report of its findings  
6           and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the  
7           legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
8           the regular session of 2012.

9           (f) The task force shall cease to exist on June 30, 2012.

10          SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Family Justice Center Task Force

**Description:**

The Department of Human Services may create a Family Justice Center Task Force to consider the establishment one or more Family Justice Centers to assist victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, elder abuse, or human trafficking, as well as to provide family-based social services. Effective July 1, 2050.  
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