
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 338-18, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3 "(b) The department shall not permit inspection of public
4 health statistics records, or issue a certified copy of any such
5 record or part thereof, unless it is satisfied that the
6 applicant has a direct and tangible interest in the record. The
7 following persons shall be considered to have a direct and
8 tangible interest in a public health statistics record:

- 9 (1) The registrant;
- 10 (2) The spouse of the registrant;
- 11 (3) A parent of the registrant;
- 12 (4) A descendant of the registrant;
- 13 (5) A person having a common ancestor with the registrant;
- 14 (6) A legal guardian of the registrant;
- 15 (7) A person or agency acting on behalf of the registrant;
- 16 (8) A personal representative of the registrant's estate;



- 1 (9) A person whose right to inspect or obtain a certified
2 copy of the record is established by an order of a
3 court of competent jurisdiction;
- 4 (10) Adoptive parents who have filed a petition for
5 adoption and who need to determine the death of one or
6 more of the prospective adopted child's natural or
7 legal parents;
- 8 (11) A person who needs to determine the marital status of
9 a former spouse [~~in order~~] to determine the payment of
10 alimony;
- 11 (12) A person who needs to determine the death of a
12 nonrelated co-owner of property purchased under a
13 joint tenancy agreement; [~~and~~]
- 14 (13) A person who needs a death certificate for the
15 determination of payments under a credit insurance
16 policy[-]; and
- 17 (14) A state agency that has received the authorization of
18 the person who has a right to inspect or obtain a
19 certified copy of the record requested by the state
20 agency."

21 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
22 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Health; Vital Statistics; Public Health Records

Description:

Allows the Department of Health to share records with other state departments and agencies upon authorization of a person with a tangible interest in the record.

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