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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HOMELESS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Part XVII of chapter 346, Hawaii Revised  
2 Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately  
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§346-\_\_\_\_\_ Designated safe facilities; established. (a)  
5 The homeless programs office of the department shall establish  
6 designated safe facilities in various locations throughout the  
7 State for homeless persons to reside until permanent housing  
8 becomes available. The designated safe facilities shall provide  
9 clean eating areas, showers, toilets, and laundry facilities.

10 (b) The homeless programs office shall establish rules and  
11 a code of conduct for individuals, couples, and families  
12 residing in the designated safe facilities. The office shall  
13 have the authority to take appropriate action should a homeless  
14 individual, couple, or family not comply with the rules or  
15 participate in any illegal activity while residing in the  
16 designated safe facilities. The office may establish a minimum  
17 fee to live in the designated safe facilities; provided that any  
18 fees collected shall be used to offset expenses associated with



1 the establishment and maintenance of the designated safe  
2 facilities.

3 (c) The homeless programs office shall partner with  
4 community and nonprofit organizations in good standing with the  
5 State to provide homeless support services for homeless persons  
6 who reside in the designated safe facilities. The office shall  
7 coordinate with state and county law enforcement officials to  
8 establish adequate security for the safety of individuals in the  
9 designated safe facilities.

10 (d) The department shall adopt rules, pursuant to chapter  
11 91, to implement this section."

12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
14 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 to  
15 establish designated safe facilities pursuant to this Act.

16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
17 human services for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

19 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Homeless; Homeless Programs Office; Designated safe facilities;  
Keiki Caucus; Appropriation

**Description:**

Requires and appropriates funds for the homeless programs office of the DHS to establish designated safe facilities for homeless persons to live until permanent housing becomes available. Requires the homeless programs office to establish rules and a code of conduct for the designated safe facilities. Requires partnership with nonprofit and community service organizations and coordination with state and county law enforcement officials for the safety of individuals residing in the designated safe facilities. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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