
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, and provide family-based social services.

7 (b) The family justice center task force shall consist of
8 the following members or their designees to be appointed by the
9 director of human services:

- 10 (1) The director of human services, who shall serve as the
11 chair of the task force;
- 12 (2) The director of health;
- 13 (3) The superintendent of education;
- 14 (4) The director of the executive office on aging;
- 15 (5) A representative from the department of the
16 prosecuting attorney of the city and county of
17 Honolulu;



- 1 (6) A representative from the family courts of the State
- 2 of Hawaii;
- 3 (7) Two social workers from the department of human
- 4 services;
- 5 (8) Three members from organizations that provide services
- 6 for domestic violence victims, who shall be requested
- 7 to serve as representatives; provided that each member
- 8 shall be from a different county;
- 9 (9) Three members from long term care organizations, who
- 10 shall be requested to serve as representatives;
- 11 (10) Three members from organizations that assist victims
- 12 of human trafficking, who shall be requested to serve
- 13 as representatives;
- 14 (11) One member to be designated by the speaker of the
- 15 house of representatives; and
- 16 (12) One member to be designated by the president of the
- 17 senate.
- 18 (c) The members of the family justice center task force
- 19 shall serve without compensation.
- 20 (d) The family justice center task force shall:



- 1 (1) Coordinate with relevant state and county agencies and
2 local nonprofit service providers to identify the
3 services that are most needed;
- 4 (2) Identify all federal, state, county, or private funds
5 that may be used to establish a family justice center;
6 and
- 7 (3) Develop an informed consent process to authorize the
8 sharing of confidential, privileged, or protected
9 information between individuals or agencies working in
10 a center.
- 11 (e) The family justice center task force shall submit a
12 report of its findings and recommendations, including any
13 proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty
14 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2014.
- 15 (f) The family justice center task force shall cease to
16 exist on June 30, 2014.
- 17 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Family Justice Center Task Force

Description:

Allows the Department of Human Services to create a family justice center task force to consider the establishment of family justice centers to assist victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, elder abuse, or human trafficking, and provide family-based social services. Effective July 1, 2050. (HB1006 HD1)

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