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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ADDING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE HAWAII INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 346-382, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3           "(a) The Hawaii interagency council on homelessness shall  
4 be composed of the following members or the member's designee:

5           (1) Governor's coordinator on homelessness, who shall  
6           serve as chair;

7           (2) Director of human services;

8           (3) Administrator of the homeless programs office of the  
9           department of human services;

10          (4) Director of health;

11          (5) Director of labor and industrial relations;

12          (6) Director of public safety;

13          (7) Director of business, economic development, and  
14          tourism;

15          (8) Chairperson of the Hawaiian homes commission;

16          (9) Adjutant general;

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- 1           (10) Chairperson of the board of trustees of the office of  
2           Hawaiian affairs;
- 3           (11) Attorney general;
- 4           (12) Superintendent of education;
- 5           (13) One member of the house of representatives to be  
6           designated by the speaker of the house of  
7           representatives;
- 8           (14) One member of the senate to be designated by the  
9           president of the senate;
- 10          (15) The mayor of each county;
- 11          (16) A representative of the continuum of care programs in  
12          each county, to be designated by the respective  
13          mayors;
- 14          (17) A representative of the United States Department of  
15          Veterans Affairs who shall be requested to serve by  
16          the governor;
- 17          (18) A representative from the Office of Community Planning  
18          and Development, United States Department of Housing  
19          and Urban Development, who shall be requested to serve  
20          by the governor;

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1 (19) A representative of a faith-based organization with  
2 interfaith relationships, to be designated by the  
3 governor; [~~and~~]

4 (20) A representative of the business community, to be  
5 designated by the governor[~~-~~]; and

6 (21) The executive director of the Hawaii public housing  
7 authority."

8 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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**Report Title:**

Homelessness; Interagency Council; Membership

**Description:**

Adds the Executive Director of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to the membership of the Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Human Services

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADDING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE HAWAII INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS.

PURPOSE: To add the Executive Director of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to the membership of the Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness (HICH).

MEANS: Amend section 346-382(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

JUSTIFICATION: The Hawaii Public Housing Authority's (HPHA) mission is to provide safe, decent, sanitary, and affordable housing to extremely low income Hawaii residents. It administers and manages the Federal Public Housing Program, the State of Hawaii Public Housing Program, the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, the State of Hawaii Rental Supplement Program, and the Elderly Housing Program. HPHA's involvement, insight, and collaboration with other members of the Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness (HICH) are crucial to addressing the affordable housing needs of Hawaii's low income citizens, some who are homeless or on the brink of homelessness. This bill will add the Executive Director of the HPHA as a member of the Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness.

Impact on the public: The addition of the Executive Director of the HPHA to the Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness will increase the communication, collaboration, and coordination of the work of the HICH, will promote increased efficiency and effectiveness amongst all of its members, and will enable the creation and implementation of more robust, relevant, and

comprehensive plans to end homelessness in Hawaii.

Impact on the department and other agencies:

The addition of the Executive Director of the HPHA to the HICH will increase the communication, collaboration, and coordination of the activities of all of the members of the Council, including the HPHA, and will increase the likelihood that the actions of the HICH will be effective in ending homelessness in Hawaii.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM  
DESIGNATION: HMS 904.

OTHER AFFECTED  
AGENCIES: Hawaii Public Housing Authority.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.