
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO APPLY PERFORMANCE
CRITERIA IN AWARDING CONTRACTS TO ORGANIZATIONS THAT
PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE HOMELESS.

1 WHEREAS, the Legislature has appropriated millions of
2 dollars to lower the number of homeless people in the State, yet
3 the number of homeless people has not decreased; and
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5 WHEREAS, organizations that provide services to the
6 homeless spend a large percentage of their contract awards on
7 executive salaries and administrative costs; and
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9 WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services' current criteria
10 for selecting organizations to provide services to the homeless
11 does not include a measure of past performance or a review of
12 how effectively the organization assists their clientele in
13 establishing a productive, independent, and sustainable
14 lifestyle; and
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16 WHEREAS, the current selection criteria favors larger
17 service providers who may not effectively assist the most
18 homeless individuals and families; and
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20 WHEREAS, the main criteria for selecting organizations to
21 provide services to the homeless should be based upon the
22 service provider's ability to provide maximum results with the
23 least amount of funds; now, therefore,
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
26 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
27 Session of 2013, that the Department of Human Services is urged
28 to apply performance criteria in awarding contracts to
29 organizations that provide services to the homeless; and
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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Human
32 Services is urged to consider smaller organizations and give all
33 homeless service providers, regardless of size, an equal share
34 in awarded contracts; and



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2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
3 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Director of Human
4 Services, and the Mayor of each county.
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