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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 46, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended  
2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to  
3 read as follows:

4           "§46-    Housing choice voucher program. No county shall  
5 disqualify a legal nonconforming dwelling unit from the housing  
6 choice voucher program if the unit meets zoning and building  
7 code requirements and other program standards such as health and  
8 safety standards."

9           SECTION 2. Section 356D-13.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
10 amended to read as follows:

11           "~~+~~§356D-13.5~~+~~ Housing choice voucher program  
12 administration. (a) Any housing choice voucher program voucher  
13 issued by the authority shall automatically be returned to the  
14 authority upon the death or removal from assistance of the last  
15 original household member; provided that, where the original  
16 head or co-head of the household is survived by a minor who was  
17 subsequently added to the household by birth, adoption, or court



1 order and the family properly reported the birth, adoption, or  
 2 court order to the authority, the household may retain the  
 3 voucher until the youngest minor added to the household reaches  
 4 the age of twenty-one, or reaches the age of twenty-three if the  
 5 youngest minor is a full-time student at a business school,  
 6 technical school, college, community college, or university. No  
 7 legal guardian shall be added to the household to care for the  
 8 minor or minors unless the legal guardian is also eligible for  
 9 participation in the housing choice voucher program; provided  
 10 further that any legal guardian added to the household shall not  
 11 retain the voucher after the youngest minor has reached the age  
 12 of twenty-one, or has reached the age of twenty-three if the  
 13 youngest minor is a full-time student at a business school,  
 14 technical school, college, community college, or university.

15 (b) The authority shall not disqualify a legal  
 16 nonconforming dwelling unit from the housing choice voucher  
 17 program if the unit meets zoning and building code requirements  
 18 and other program standards such as health and safety  
 19 standards."

20 SECTION 3. If any part of this Act is found to be in  
 21 conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed



1 condition for the allocation of federal funds to the State, the  
2 conflicting part of this Act is inoperative solely to the extent  
3 of the conflict and with respect to the agencies directly  
4 affected, and this finding does not affect the operation of the  
5 remainder of this Act.

6 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Public Housing; Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

**Description:**

Prohibits any county and the Hawaii Public Housing Authority from disqualifying a legal nonconforming dwelling unit from the Housing Choice Voucher Program if the unit meets zoning and building code requirements and other program standards, including those for health and safety. (SB2343 HD1)

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