



EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR

June 20, 2017

GOV. MSG. NO. 1140

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki,
Speaker and Members of the
House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 20, 2017, the following bill was signed into law:

HB428 HD1 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE
ASSESSMENT
ACT 040 (17)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor
on JUN 20 2017
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, 2017
STATE OF HAWAII

ORIGINAL

ACT 040
H.B. NO. 428
H.D. 1
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE ASSESSMENT.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there is a critical
2 need for recruitment and retention of physicians to serve rural
3 and medically underserved areas of the State. The shortage of
4 physicians is compounded by the fact that Hawaii has the fifth
5 oldest physician workforce of all the states and more than half
6 of the State's physicians will be over age sixty-five within ten
7 years. The physician workforce assessment project has assisted
8 with malpractice reform, thousands of hours of continuing
9 education, loan repayment to physicians working in areas of
10 need, and the advertising of all open positions in Hawaii to
11 graduates and on the Internet, and is working to make regional
12 physician supply and demand maps and all available national data
13 available on the Internet. Future efforts include state-matched
14 loan relief to new providers in the areas of highest unmet need,
15 promotion of Hawaii careers at mainland physician conferences,
16 efforts to provide bonuses for providers practicing in
17 underserved areas, and the formation of an office of rural
18 training for promoting practice in underserved areas in the

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1 State. The funding received through the physician workforce
2 assessment will allow Hawaii to act rapidly on tangible
3 solutions to the physician workforce shortage to adequately
4 address the ongoing need for a strong physician workforce.

5 The purpose of this Act is to allow the John A. Burns
6 school of medicine to continue to receive a portion of the
7 physician workforce assessment fee to support physician
8 workforce assessment and planning to effect the strategic
9 recruitment and retention of physicians for rural and medically
10 underserved areas of the State, including planning efforts.

11 SECTION 2. Act 18, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, as
12 amended by section 3(2) of Act 186, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012,
13 is amended by amending section 9 to read as follows:

14 "SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009[+
15 ~~provided that sections 3 and 4 shall be repealed on June 30,~~
16 ~~2017]."~~

17 SECTION 3. Act 186, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, is
18 amended by amending section 5 to read as follows:

19 "SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on June 29, 2012[+
20 ~~provided that section 1 shall be repealed on June 30, 2017, and~~



1 ~~section 304A-2171(c), Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be~~
2 ~~reenacted in the form in which it read on June 28, 2012]."~~

3 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
4 and stricken.

5 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on June 29, 2017.

APPROVED this 20 day of JUN, 2017



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

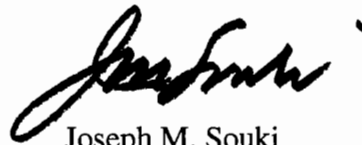


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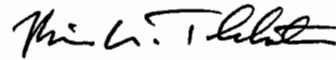
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2017
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017.



Joseph M. Souki
Speaker
House of Representatives




Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2017
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the
Senate of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017.


President of the Senate


Clerk of the Senate