
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) The governor shall establish puuhonua safe
2 zones where homeless persons may reside in the State.

3 (b) The location of each puuhonua safe zone shall be
4 designated by the land use commission.

5 (c) Each puuhonua safe zone shall be furnished with
6 appropriate hygiene facilities and security and social services
7 as deemed necessary.

8 (d) The peaceful consumption of alcoholic beverages by
9 persons twenty-one years of age or older shall be permitted in
10 puuhonua safe zones.

11 (e) Animal companions of homeless persons shall be
12 permitted in puuhonua safe zones.

13 (f) The governor shall maintain and operate puuhonua safe
14 zones until the legislature determines that homelessness is no
15 longer a crisis in the State.



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1 (g) The governor may delegate the duties and
 2 responsibilities established pursuant to subsections (a), (c),
 3 and (f), of this Act to an executive agency.

4 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
 5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
 6 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
 7 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
 8 2018-2019 for the establishment of puuhonua safe zones where
 9 homeless persons may reside in the State.

10 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the office of
 11 the governor for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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Report Title:

Homelessness; Puuhonua Safe Zones; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the governor to establish puuhonua safe zones where homeless persons may reside. Appropriates funds.

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