## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The department of human services may
- 2 establish puuhonua safe zones where homeless persons may reside
- 3 in the State.
- 4 (b) Each puuhonua safe zone shall be furnished with
- 5 appropriate hygiene facilities and security and social services
- 6 as deemed necessary.
- 7 (c) The peaceful consumption of alcoholic beverages by
- 8 persons twenty-one years of age or older may be permitted in
- 9 puuhonua safe zones.
- 10 (d) Animal companions of homeless persons shall be
- 11 permitted in puuhonua safe zones.
- 12 (e) The department of human services shall maintain and
- 13 operate puuhonua safe zones until the legislature determines
- 14 that homelessness is no longer a crisis in the State.
- (f) The State shall not be liable for any loss, damage,
- 16 injury, or death arising from or occurring in a puuhonua safe
- 17 zone.



- 1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
- 3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
- 4 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
- 5 2018-2019 for the establishment of puuhonua safe zones where
- 6 homeless persons may reside in the State.
- 7 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 8 of human services for the purposes of this Act.
- 9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2075.

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### Report Title:

Homelessness; Puuhonua Safe Zones; Appropriation

### Description:

Allows the Department of Human Services to establish puuhonua safe zones where homeless persons may reside. Appropriates funds for establishing the zones. (HB83 HD1)

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