
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 a transitional housing center pilot project for the
3 homeless; provided that the department consider Sand Island
4 beach park as a potential site for the pilot project.

5 (b) The transitional housing center pilot project may
6 provide:

- 7 (1) A designated transitional housing center large enough
8 for a tent or other temporary structure;
- 9 (2) A secure place to lock valuables;
- 10 (3) Parking spaces within a reasonable distance from the
11 designated transitional housing center;
- 12 (4) Reasonable access to public transportation, which may
13 be accomplished by working with the relevant public
14 transportation agencies to re-route buses as needed;
- 15 (5) A place to build a fire for cooking;
- 16 (6) Communal men's and women's bathrooms and showers;
- 17 (7) Systems to collect and dispose of trash and other
18 waste;



1 (8) A mailing address and a system that permits residents
2 to securely receive mail;

3 (9) Places within the transitional housing center where
4 the department, and other public, private, nonprofit,
5 or faith-based organizations, can provide supportive
6 services for the homeless; and

7 (10) An earnership program allowing residents to earn
8 benefits by volunteering to maintain and service the
9 transitional housing center.

10 (c) The department of human services may seek assistance
11 from public, private, nonprofit, or faith-based organizations in
12 providing support services for the homeless for the transitional
13 housing center pilot project.

14 (d) The director of human services may adopt rules for the
15 transitional housing center pilot project, as necessary.

16 (e) The department of human services may consider
17 establishing a transitional housing center pilot project in east
18 Oahu.

19 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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Report Title:

Transitional Housing Center Pilot Project; Homeless

Description:

Authorizes the department of human services to establish a transitional housing center pilot project. Allows the director of human services to adopt rules for the transitional housing center pilot project. (SD1)

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