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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that a smoking cessation  
2 program to prohibit smoking at substance abuse treatment  
3 facilities that includes good health and wellness practices for  
4 recovery from substance abuse can be beneficial. However, the  
5 impacts of a smoking ban in these facilities on facility  
6 residents must be coupled with appropriate treatment services  
7 and supports as part of a treatment regimen to transition  
8 facility residents to a smoke-free environment.

9           The purpose of this Act is to require the department of  
10 health to convene a working group to study and examine the  
11 effects of prohibiting smoking and using tobacco products on the  
12 premises of substance abuse treatment facilities.

13           SECTION 2. (a) The department of health shall convene a  
14 working group to study and examine the effects of prohibiting  
15 smoking and using tobacco products on the premises of substance  
16 abuse treatment facilities. The executive director of the  
17 Hawaii public housing authority and the executive director of



1 Habilitat, or the respective designee of each executive  
2 director, shall be part of the working group.

3 (b) The working group shall study and examine the effects  
4 of prohibiting smoking and using tobacco products on the  
5 premises of substance abuse treatment facilities, including  
6 treatment for tobacco dependence by residents; whether a smoking  
7 ban supports or undermines treating tobacco dependence and  
8 dependence on other substances; any services and supports that  
9 may be necessary to transition substance abuse treatment  
10 facility residents to a smoke-free environment; and any barriers  
11 a smoking and tobacco use prohibition may have on facility  
12 residents' efforts to quit smoking.

13 (c) The department of health shall submit the working  
14 group's report that includes its findings and recommendations,  
15 including proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than  
16 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of  
17 2021.

18 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on December 31,  
19 2059.



**Report Title:**

Smoking; Tobacco Products; Prohibition; Substance Abuse  
Treatment Facilities; Working Group

**Description:**

Requires DOH to convene a working group that includes the participation of the HPHA executive director or designee, to study and examine the effects of prohibiting smoking and using tobacco products on the premises of substance abuse treatment facilities. Requires DOH to submit a report to the legislature prior to the 2021 regular session. Takes effect 12/31/2059.  
(HD1)

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