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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

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

1           SECTION 1. Act 209, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (b) of section 3 to read as  
3 follows:  
4           "(b) The governor shall designate executive branch  
5 agencies to develop and implement the ohana zones pilot program,  
6 including an agency with specific expertise in construction  
7 development and an agency with specific expertise in  
8 administering homeless services. The governor, through the  
9 governor's designated agencies, shall determine the number and  
10 locations of the ohana zones, which shall be situated on public  
11 lands[+] in accordance with subsection (c) or on private lands  
12 through a partnership between the State and the owner of the  
13 land; provided that the designated agencies shall identify at  
14 least three sites on Oahu and one site on each of the islands of  
15 Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui."

16           SECTION 2. Act 209, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, is  
17 amended by amending section 4 as follows:



1 1. By amending subsection (b) to read:

2 "(b) The agencies designated by the governor shall  
3 establish [~~no later than December 31, 2018,~~] the following:

4 (1) The criteria that the agencies will use to evaluate  
5 potential ohana zone locations;

6 (2) A monthly timetable of milestones that the agencies  
7 expect to meet in establishing one or more ohana zones  
8 over the course of the three-year pilot program;

9 (3) The specific, measurable, attainable, reasonable, and  
10 time-based performance measures that the agencies  
11 expect to meet at the end of each fiscal year;

12 (4) The evaluation criteria and process that the agencies  
13 intend to use each year when reviewing the success and  
14 sustainability of the ohana zones; and

15 (5) The monitoring and oversight controls that the  
16 agencies will have over the ohana zones to identify,  
17 address, and prevent possible fraud, waste, and abuse  
18 and ensure compliance with local, state, and federal  
19 laws."

20 2. By amending subsection (f) to read:



1           "(f) The pilot program shall cease to exist three years  
2 from the contract execution date or on June 30, [~~2021-~~] 2022, or  
3 whichever is later."

4           SECTION 3. Act 209, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, is  
5 amended by amending section 7 as follows:

6           1. By amending subsection (c) to read:

7           "(c) The department of human services shall work with the  
8 participating hospital under the emergency department  
9 homelessness assessment pilot program to collect and analyze  
10 data to be included in a report that contains a summary and  
11 explanation of the data regarding the efficacy of emergency  
12 department intervention by the multidisciplinary team in  
13 mitigating the number of unnecessary emergency department visits  
14 by patients experiencing homelessness or patients at risk of  
15 experiencing homelessness. The report shall contain findings  
16 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, for  
17 continuation, modification, or termination of the pilot program.  
18 The department of human services shall submit the report to the  
19 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
20 the regular session of [~~2019-~~] 2020."

21           2. By amending subsection (e) to read:



1           "(e) The emergency department homelessness assessment  
2 pilot program shall cease to exist on June 30, [~~2019-~~] 2020."

3           SECTION 4. Act 209, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, is  
4 amended by amending section 9 as follows:

5           1. By amending subsection (c) to read:

6           "(c) The department of human services shall submit a  
7 report to the legislature of its findings and recommendations,  
8 including any proposed legislation, regarding the pilot program  
9 no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular  
10 session of [~~2019-~~] 2020."

11           2. By amending subsection (e) to read:

12           "(e) The medical respite pilot program shall cease to  
13 exist on June 30, [~~2019-~~] 2020."

14           SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
15 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

16           SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on June 29, 2019.

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**Report Title:**

DHS; Ohana Zones Pilot Program; Emergency Department Homelessness Assessment Pilot Program; Medical Respite Pilot Program; Homelessness; Human Services; Housing; Shelters

**Description:**

Authorizes the use of private lands for the ohana zones pilot program. Provides additional time for the implementation of the ohana zones pilot program. Extends sunset dates of the Emergency Department Homelessness Assessment and Medical Respite pilot programs of the Department of Human Services to 6/30/2020. Requires reports to the Legislature. (SD1)

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