### EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

May 14, 2025

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Nadine Nakamura
Speaker, and Members of the
House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on May 14, 2025, the following bill was signed into law:

S.B. NO. 1443, S.D. 1, H.D. 1 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. **ACT 050** 

Mahalo,

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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on MAY 1 4 2025

THE SENATE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 050 S.B. NO. 5.D. 1 H.D. 1

### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 334, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to part IV to be appropriately
- 3 designated and to read as follows:
- 4 "S334- Psychiatric facility; procurement of and payment
- 5 of expenses for medical care and long-term care. (a) Rates of
- 6 payments for medical care for patients of the Hawaii state
- 7 hospital and for patients under the custody of the director at a
- 8 psychiatric facility other than the Hawaii state hospital shall
- 9 be limited to the Hawaii medicaid fee schedule or the provider's
- 10 billed amount, whichever is less.
- 11 (b) The department may establish rates of payment for
- 12 long-term care services provided for patients who are discharged
- 13 to a long-term care facility from the Hawaii state hospital or
- from a psychiatric facility other than the Hawaii state hospital
- 15 where they were under the custody of the director.
- (c) The department shall be exempt from chapter 103F for
- 17 the procurement of medical care for patients of the Hawaii state

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- 1 hospital and for patients of a psychiatric facility other than
- 2 the Hawaii state hospital who are under the custody of the
- 3 director, and for the procurement of long-term care for patients
- 4 discharged to a long-term care facility from the Hawaii state
- 5 hospital or from a psychiatric facility other than the Hawaii
- 6 state hospital where they were under the custody of the
- 7 director.
- 8 (d) For the purposes of this section:
- 9 "Long-term care" means care provided by a long-term care
- 10 facility.
- 11 "Long-term care facility" has the same meaning as defined
- 12 in section 349-21.
- "Medical care" means examination, diagnosis, or treatment
- 14 for medical and dental conditions, including outpatient and
- 15 hospital-based services as well as appliances and supplies
- 16 deemed clinically necessary by the department. "Medical care"
- 17 does not include long-term care."
- 18 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 19 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 20 begun before its effective date.
- 21 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this

**14th** day of **May** , 2025

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

### THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 16, 2025 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2025.

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Clerk of the Senate

# THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 3, 2025 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025.

Nadine K. Nakamura Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita Chief Clerk House of Representatives

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