
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOUSING.

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

PART I

SECTION 1. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2026-2027 for the continued operation of the kauhale initiative, including expenses related to:

- (1) The development and operation of kauhale;
- (2) The provision of project-based rent supplement payments;
- (3) The provision of support services for qualified individuals and families in kauhale;
- (4) Staffing and related costs to administer the kauhale initiative;
- (5) Addressing basic needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness;
- (6) Wrap around services;



1 (7) Social and health care services;

2 (8) Transportation; and

3 (9) Other services with the goal of alleviating poverty
4 and transitioning individuals and families
5 experiencing homelessness or housing instability into
6 supportive or affordable housing;

7 provided that all kauhale projects shall be connected to public
8 utilities, including water, sewer, and electricity; provided
9 further that the kauhale initiative may charge monthly rents of
10 no more than thirty per cent of the area median income level.

11 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
12 of human services for the purposes of this part.

13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
15 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and
16 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
17 year 2026-2027 for the continued implementation of the ohana
18 zones pilot program established under Act 209, Session Laws of
19 Hawaii 2018.

20 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
21 of human services for the purposes of this Act.



1 PART II

2 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
3 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
4 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and
5 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
6 year 2026-2027 for the development, operation, and maintenance
7 of affordable, supportive housing projects and the provision of
8 supportive services for households with special needs who reside
9 in the supportive housing projects.

10 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
11 housing finance and development corporation for the purposes of
12 this part.

13 PART III

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

DHS; HHFDC; Housing; Kauhale Initiative; Ohana Zones Pilot Program; Supportive Housing; Appropriations

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services for the continued implementation of the Kauhale Initiative and Ohana Zones Pilot Program. Requires kauhale to be connected to public utilities. Authorizes monthly rents of no more than 30% of the area median income level to be charged for kauhale.

Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation for the development of supportive housing projects and the provision of supportive services for certain households in the supportive housing projects. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD2)

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