

A Bill for an Act Amending Section 346-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, Relating to Public Assistance for Medical Care.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

Section 1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this Act is to explicitly include the diagnosis, care, treatment and rehabilitation of mentally ill persons within the meaning of "medical care," as defined in Section 346-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for the purpose of receiving grants-in-aid or outright grants as permissible under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act and federal rules and regulations relating thereto.

Section 2. **Redefinition of "Medical Care."** The last paragraph of Section 346-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"'Medical Care' means all kinds of medical care, psychiatric care, dental care, and maternity care, including surgical care, hospital care, eye care (which includes optical appliances), materials, supplies, and all other appliances used in the care, treatment and rehabilitation of patients, and hospitalization."

Section 3. **Effective Date.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 28, 1971.)