ACT 162

S.B. NO. 398

A Bill for an Act Relating to Homelessness.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in order for nonprofit organizations to effectively work in concert with state and county governments, these organizations require a clear understanding of the state procurement system, including the proposal and bid processes, to most effectively offer homeless outreach services or manage homeless housing programs. The legislature further finds that while these types of programs are robust in urban areas, homeless outreach services and homeless housing programs are lacking in rural areas of the State.

Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to require the department of human services and state procurement office to establish and implement a program to provide training on government procurement and other relevant procedures to nonprofit organizations that offer homeless outreach services or manage homeless housing programs in rural areas of the State.

SECTION 2. The department of human services, in partnership with the state procurement office, shall establish and implement a training program on government procurement and other relevant procedures for nonprofit organizations that offer homeless outreach services or manage homeless housing programs in rural areas of the State.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$120,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 to establish and implement a training program for non-profit organizations that offer homeless outreach services or manage homeless housing programs in rural areas of the State.

The sums appropriated shall be expended by the state procurement office for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019. (Approved June 27, 2019.)