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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLANNING.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the leeward coast of  
2 Oahu is only accessible by way of Farrington highway. Any  
3 closure of the highway due to traffic accidents or other  
4 incidents can temporarily disrupt the lives of tens of thousands  
5 of commuting residents. The legislature also finds that, if a  
6 major disaster closes the freeway for extended periods of time,  
7 a host of problems arise that directly impacts the health,  
8 safety, and welfare of several leeward communities.

9           The purpose of this Act is to prepare for a major disaster  
10 on the leeward coast by requiring the director of civil defense  
11 to work with county civil defense agencies to prepare a disaster  
12 preparedness plan for the forty-fourth and forty-fifth house of  
13 representatives districts, to serve as a model for future  
14 expansion of the disaster preparedness plan to serve other  
15 communities in the state.

16           SECTION 2. The director of civil defense, as part of the  
17 director's statewide responsibilities, shall work with county  
18 civil defense agencies to prepare a disaster preparedness plan



1 for the leeward coast areas of Oahu, specifically the areas  
2 included in the house of representative districts 44 and 45,  
3 which include the communities of Waianae, Makaha, Makua, Honokai  
4 Hale, Nanakuli, Lualualei, and Maili. The plan shall include  
5 strategies to address the following concerns:

- 6 1. The closing of roadway access to the districts with no  
7 available alternate routes;
- 8 2. The use of air and sea transportation services when  
9 roads are closed and the coordination of these  
10 services, especially the designation of primary and  
11 alternate air landing sites and any legal  
12 authorization needed to land on those sites;
- 13 3. The large homeless population living on beaches with  
14 limited resources;
- 15 4. The elderly, some of whom live alone, with limited  
16 access to disaster shelters and transportation  
17 services;
- 18 5. The growing indigent population that is suffering from  
19 the current economic downturn who rely heavily on  
20 public transportation to commute to work;
- 21 6. The coordination, distribution, and delivery of food,  
22 products, and services by private and public



1 companies, organizations, and individuals to homes and  
2 communities;

3 7. An organization to serve as a community site  
4 coordinator (e.g. local civil defense volunteer team);

5 8. An inventory of existing governmental agencies,  
6 private companies, organizations, and individuals who  
7 may assist with a disaster preparedness plan;

8 9. Meetings in the community to gather input and follow-  
9 up meetings to disseminate this report; and

10 10. Any other issue necessary for a disaster preparedness  
11 plan.

12 SECTION 3. The director of civil defense shall report the  
13 director's findings and recommendations, including costs, to the  
14 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
15 the 2011 regular session.

16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2055.



**Report Title:**

Disaster Preparedness Plan; Civil Defense

**Description:**

Requires the director of civil defense to work with county civil defense agencies to prepare a disaster preparedness plan for the 44th and 45th House of Representatives districts and report to the legislature in 2011. Effective 7/1/55.

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