
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) There is established within the behavioral
2 health services administration of the department of health a
3 task force to study issues relating to the accessibility and
4 utilization of essential services by the State's developmentally
5 and intellectually disabled individuals. The members of this
6 task force shall consist of:
- 7 (1) A representative of the department of health's
8 behavioral health services administration;
- 9 (2) A representative of the department of health's state
10 council on developmental disabilities;
- 11 (3) A representative of the department of health's
12 developmental disabilities division;
- 13 (4) A representative of the department of human services'
14 MedQuest division;
- 15 (5) Two members to be selected by the speaker of the house
16 of representatives;



- 1 (6) Two members to be selected by the president of the
- 2 senate;
- 3 (7) At least one member of a developmental or intellectual
- 4 disability advocacy group;
- 5 (8) Two parent-advocates to be selected by the speaker of
- 6 the house of representatives; and
- 7 (9) Two parent-advocates to be selected by the president
- 8 of the senate.
- 9 (b) The task force shall address issues relating to access
- 10 to essential services for the State's developmentally and
- 11 intellectually disabled individuals. The task force shall
- 12 submit a report with findings and recommendations, including
- 13 proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty
- 14 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2020. The
- 15 report shall address:
- 16 (1) Gaps in service;
- 17 (2) Accessibility issues, including systemic barriers to
- 18 access;
- 19 (3) Identification of underserved populations; and



1 (4) Proposed legislation to improve existing services,
2 close service gaps, and decrease barriers to essential
3 services.

4 (c) The members of the task force shall serve without
5 compensation, but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses,
6 including travel expenses, incurred for service on the task
7 force. No member of the task force shall be made subject to
8 section 84-17, Hawaii Revised Statutes, solely because of that
9 member's participation on the task force.

10 (d) The task force shall convene no later than thirty days
11 after the effective date of this Act.

12 (e) The task force shall serve until it has accomplished
13 the objectives of this Act or twenty days prior to the convening
14 of the regular session of 2020, whichever occurs first.

15 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Developmentally and Intellectually Disabled Persons; Task Force

Description:

Establishes a task force to study the accessibility and utilization of essential services by developmentally and intellectually disabled individuals in the State. (SB242 HD2)

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