



RESOLUTION

ADOPTING THE REORGANIZATION PLAN SUBMITTED BY THE MAYOR RELATING TO HEALTH SERVICES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the executive reorganization powers set forth in Section 4-202 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (2000 ed.), the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu may propose to the City Council that the duties and functions of existing departments or agencies of the executive branch be changed and that executive departments or agencies be rearranged; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, Council adopted Resolution 98-117 CD1, approving the Reorganization Plan submitted by the Mayor, which eliminated the Department of Health Services and placed its health services duties and functions in the Department of Human Resources (DHR); and

WHEREAS, the DHR Health Services Branch conducts pre-employment and annual medical evaluations of prospective and current City employees; and

WHEREAS, the DHR Health Services Branch also oversees a number of comprehensive health services programs for the City and County of Honolulu including programs related to hearing conservation, asbestos, respiratory protection and blood borne pathogens; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor Peter B. Carlisle proposed that the health services duties and functions of the DHR Health Services Branch be transferred to the Honolulu Emergency Services Department; and

WHEREAS, if approved by the Council, Section 6-603 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (2000 ed.), will be amended to add a new subsection (a)(4), and read as follows:

The director of emergency services shall:

(a) As to medical services:

- (1) Be the primary provider of emergency medical care;
- (2) Develop programs and provide training and educational programs related to emergency medical services and injury prevention;
- (3) Be responsible for medical matters relating to public health and welfare;
- (4) Be responsible for the administration of the city's health services programs and medical evaluations of current and prospective city employees.



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(b) As to ocean safety:

- (1) Be the primary responder to emergencies arising on the beach and in the near shore waters;
- (2) Be responsible for ocean safety training, educational, and risk reduction programs relating to ocean safety.

(c) Perform such duties as may be required by law.

See Exhibit A, a copy of which is attached hereto.

WHEREAS, under the proposed reorganization, eleven of the twelve positions currently assigned to the DHR Health Services Branch would transfer intact to the Honolulu Emergency Services Department; and

WHEREAS, the twelfth position, Employee Counselor (CS 363), will remain with the DHR; and

WHEREAS, the proposed reorganization will result in improved functionality as it will consolidate in one department the majority of the City's medical functions; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it approves the Mayor's proposed transfer of the health services duties and functions of the Health Services Branch from the Department of Human Resources to the Honolulu Emergency Services Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that within six months of the approval of this resolution, the Corporation Counsel, as revisor, shall prepare a supplement of an edition, or a new edition, of the City Charter, incorporating the revisions which are necessary due to the aforementioned transfer and reorganization; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be and she is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and all department heads.

INTRODUCED BY: .

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Councilmembers

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

JUN 08 2012

Honolulu, Hawaii

Chapter 6
Department of Emergency Services

Section 6-603. Powers, Duties and Functions –

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 - (4) Be responsible for the administration of the city's health services programs and medical evaluations of current and prospective city employees.
- (b) As to ocean safety:
 - (1) Be the primary responder to emergencies arising on the beach and in the near shore waters;
 - (2) Be responsible for ocean safety training, educational, and risk reduction programs relating to ocean safety.
- (c) Perform such duties as may be required by law.