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Hawaii Revised Statutes Title 20. Social Services. Chapter 346. Department of Human Services. Part I. General and Administrative Provisions. § 346-19.7 Prospective Adoptive Parents; Standards and Home Studies.

(d) The department may deny a person's application to adopt a child or children if either of the prospective adoptive parents was convicted of an offense for which incarceration is a sentencing option, and if the department finds by reason of the nature and circumstances of the crime that either of the prospective adoptive parents poses a risk to the health, safety, or well-being of the child or children. Such denial may occur only after appropriate investigation, notification of results and planned action, and opportunity to meet and rebut the finding, all of which need not be conducted in accordance with chapter 91.

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