
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LIMU MANAGEMENT AREA.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the natural supply
2 of limu along the shores in Ewa beach is rapidly diminishing.
3 This is due in part to overharvesting of limu during the past
4 four years. As a result, many types of limu, including huluhulu
5 waenae, lipoa, and 'a'ala 'ula, can no longer be found or are at
6 risk of extinction in this area.

7 The purpose of this Act is to preserve and sustain the limu
8 supply by establishing a limu management area along the
9 shoreline of Ewa beach on Oahu.

10 SECTION 2. Chapter 188, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
12 and to read as follows:

13 "§188- Limu management area. (a) There is established
14 a limu management area from the shoreline and extending one
15 hundred fifty feet seaward in Ewa beach from the gunnery range
16 to the boat ramp on Muumuu street.

17 (b) No person, including a person with a commercial
18 fishing license, shall pick, gather, harvest, or otherwise take



1 limu from within the limu management area for two years
2 beginning on July 1, 2005; provided that this section shall not
3 apply to a person who has obtained a special permit to pick limu
4 for purposes of replanting.

5 (c) Beginning July 1, 2007, a person, including a person
6 with a commercial fishing license, may hand-pick limu in the
7 limu management area from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., only during
8 the months of December, January, and June of each year. A
9 maximum of one pound for all types of limu combined may be hand-
10 picked per day by any person, including any person possessing a
11 commercial fishing license."

12 SECTION 3. There shall be established an advisory group to
13 assist the department of land and natural resources in
14 determining the best management practices for conservation and
15 restoration of the limu management area.

16 The advisory group shall consist of members from the Limu
17 Project, The Nature Conservancy, and other community
18 organizations and members of the public.

19 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

20 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on December 31,
21 2007; provided that this Act shall be repealed on June 30, 2010.



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Report Title:

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Description:

Establishes a limu management area along the shoreline in Ewa Beach. Creates an advisory group to assist DLNR in determining best management practices. (SB895 HD2)

