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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR KAIAKA BAY.

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

1           SECTION 1. "Land ownership" was a foreign concept to the  
2 ancient Hawaiians. Instead, land was divided into ahupuaa,  
3 sections of land that extended from the mountain summit to the  
4 outer edge of the reef. The ahupuaa formed a self-contained  
5 economic and social unit that effectively integrated the uses of  
6 its resources. Resources on the land were rarely tainted or  
7 overused because the entire ahupuaa was managed carefully by the  
8 Hawaiian people. Today, this ancient system is viewed by many  
9 as an excellent model for resource management.

10           The legislature finds that this same system of resource  
11 management is important to our watersheds, as what happens in  
12 the upstream areas greatly affect the downstream communities,  
13 and unless water quantity and quality are managed carefully, as  
14 the Hawaiians did in the ahupuaa systems, contaminant-spreading  
15 vehicles like flooding and nonpoint source pollution will  
16 threaten our environment.





**Report Title:**

Kaiaka Bay Watershed; Flood Project; Appropriation

**Description:**

Appropriates money to match federal funds for an Army Corps of Engineers flood project in the Kaiaka Bay watershed on the island of Oahu. (SD1)

