
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PLANNING.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the phasing out of
2 the sugar and pineapple industries in Hawaii has caused economic
3 dislocation and social instability in communities affected by
4 those changes. Uncontrolled economic redevelopment in these
5 communities has resulted in major infrastructural deficiencies
6 and dissatisfaction in those communities. The legislature
7 further finds that economic redevelopment in these communities
8 needs to be focused and tailored to serve the needs of those
9 communities. Concentrating economic redevelopment in defined
10 areas within communities will not only locate new job creation
11 closer to existing housing, but will contribute to more
12 efficient infrastructure planning and construction that will
13 help relieve traffic congestion and reduce costs.

14 The legislature further finds that economic development in
15 the state in general endangers historic preservation and the
16 loss of open spaces. The purpose of this Act is to develop a
17 state land use plan that takes economic development into
18 account.



1 SECTION 2. The office of planning, in conjunction with
2 county planning departments, shall develop a state land use plan
3 that takes economic development into account, incorporating the
4 following:

5 (1) A determination of areas of the state where economic
6 growth is appropriate, based upon job creation and
7 demand;

8 (2) Plans to establish a variety of economic development
9 zones including:

10 (A) Major economic development zones appropriate for
11 major growth and job creation in concert with
12 state long-term growth policies; and

13 (B) Alternative economic development zones
14 appropriate for rural areas;

15 (3) Incentives for development in major economic
16 development zones, such as expediting permit issuance
17 and inspections balanced by a requirement to have
18 projects bonded;

19 (4) Plans to create complete communities in alternative
20 economic development zones to include affordable
21 housing, retail, and necessary medical services; and



1 (5) Plans to establish historic preservation zones and
2 open spaces, including plans to compensate private
3 landowners.

4 SECTION 3. The office of planning shall submit to the
5 legislature a written report that shall include a state land use
6 plan that takes economic development into account pursuant to
7 section 2 and any necessary proposed legislation no later than
8 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of
9 2009.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2034.



Report Title:

State Land Use Plan; Economic Development

Description:

Requires the Office of Planning, in conjunction with county planning departments, to develop a state land use plan that takes economic development into account and to submit the plan in a report to the Legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2009. (HB2891 HD1)

