## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF A HAWAII ARCHAEOLOGICAL DATA SURVEY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 6E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
- 3 read as follows:
- 4 "§6E- Archaeological data survey; designation. (a) A
- 5 Hawaii archaeological data survey is established and designated
- 6 as a program of the State of Hawaii Museum of Natural and
- 7 Cultural History. The survey shall be an on-line database of
- 8 archaeological documents and materials, including but not
- 9 limited to reports, maps, archived documents, and artifacts
- 10 obtained through archaeological work in Hawaii, beginning with
- 11 the collections of Bishop Museum. To expand the use and
- 12 knowledge of Hawaii's archaeological artifacts, the data survey
- 13 shall be conducted and maintained in consultation with the
- 14 department of land and natural resources and other appropriate
- 15 organizations.
- 16 (b) The museum, in consultation with the office of
- 17 Hawaiian affairs, may withhold from the database, temporarily or

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- 1 permanently, information that is not required to be disclosed
- 2 under section 92F-13(3), due to a valid threat that disclosure
- 3 may frustrate the legitimate government function of protecting
- 4 valuable archaeological sites and artifacts."
- 5 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

## Report Title:

Archaeological Data Survey; Established

## Description:

Establishes and designates an archaeological data survey as an on-line database program of the State of Hawaii museum of natural and cultural history, beginning with the collections of Bishop Museum; authorizes the museum, in consultation with the office of Hawaiian affairs, to withhold from the database, either temporarily or permanently, information that may pose a threat to the protection of valuable archaeological sites and artifacts. (SD1)