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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE PLAN.

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

1 SECTION 1. A goal of the Hawaii state plan (Act 226 Hawaii
2 Revised Statutes) is to pursue the return of federally controlled
3 lands not required for national defense or other national
4 purposes.

5 Chapter 225M, Hawaii Revised Statutes, tasks the department
6 of business, economic development and tourism's office of
7 planning with responsibility for gathering, analyzing and
8 providing information to the governor to assist in the
9 formulation of state policies in order to provide direction and
10 cohesion for state programs and to address issues and
11 opportunities.

12 The legislature finds that return of federal property not
13 needed for national defense or other purposes is an area of
14 opportunity which should be addressed to promote the economic and
15 social needs of Hawaii's people.

16 SECTION 2. The department of business, economic development
17 and tourism's office of planning shall establish a commission to
18 identify and prioritize federal properties that may become
19 surplus at some future date. The commission shall be composed of
20 seven members from relevant state agencies and the public. The



1 committee shall elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson from
 2 among its members. A majority of the members of the committee
 3 shall constitute a quorum. Members of the committee shall serve
 4 without compensation. The commission shall consult with
 5 appropriate federal agencies to identify relevant properties.
 6 Properties identified shall be prioritized in terms of their
 7 potential economic and social benefits to the state.

8 SECTION 3. The commission shall submit a report of its
 9 findings and recommendations to the governor and legislature by
 10 December 31, 2007.

11 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
 12 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much
 13 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, for
 14 identification and prioritization of federal properties for
 15 possible return to the state.

16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
 17 business, economic development and tourism for the purposes of
 18 this Act.

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 20 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

State Plan; Military Facilities

Description:

Creates a commission to identify and evaluate federal properties which might be available for transfer to the State at a future date. Prioritize properties identified in terms of how they could be used to benefit the State.

