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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the state historic
2 preservation officer is the administrator of the state historic
3 preservation program. The state historic preservation officer's
4 duties include reviewing nominations for the National Register
5 of Historic Places and maintaining data on historic places in
6 Hawaii that have not yet been nominated for the National
7 Register of Historic Places. The state historic preservation
8 officer also serves as the State's consultant to federal
9 agencies during review regarding the federal Advisory Council on
10 Historic Preservation's regulations regarding the protection of
11 historic places. Federal agencies also consult with the
12 appropriate state historic preservation officer during their
13 identification of historic properties and their assessment of
14 the effect of an undertaking on a historic property.

15 Due to the important role that a state historic
16 preservation officer serves with regard to federal historical
17 preservation matters, the United States Secretary of the



1 Interior has established standards for determining the
2 qualifications required for a state historic preservation
3 officers.

4 The purpose of this Act is to require that any person who
5 is appointed by the governor as a state historic preservation
6 officer, meets the required standards established by the United
7 States Secretary of Interior.

8 SECTION 2. Section 6E-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 " ~~[+]§6E-5[+]~~ **State historic preservation officer.** (a)

11 The governor shall appoint a state historic preservation
12 officer, and may appoint the officer without regard to chapter
13 76, who shall be responsible for the comprehensive historic
14 preservation program and who shall be the state liaison officer
15 for the conduct of relations with the federal government and the
16 respective states with regard to matters of historic
17 preservation.

18 (b) The state historic preservation officer shall ~~[be~~
19 ~~appointed on the basis of professional competence and experience~~
20 ~~in the field of historic preservation and]~~:

21 (1) Be a qualified historic preservation professional in
22 architecture, architectural history, archaeology,



Report Title:

State Historic Preservation Officer; Qualifications

Description:

Specifies the required qualifications for a state historic preservation officer and adds requirement that notice of the appointment of a state historic preservation officer be given to the legislature.

