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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 6E-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:  
3           "~~§~~6E-5~~§~~ State historic preservation officer. (a)  
4 The governor shall appoint a state historic preservation  
5 officer, and may appoint the officer without regard to chapter  
6 76, who shall be responsible for the comprehensive historic  
7 preservation program and who shall be the state liaison officer  
8 for the conduct of relations with the federal government and the  
9 respective states with regard to matters of historic  
10 preservation. The state historic preservation officer shall be  
11 appointed on the basis of professional competence and experience  
12 in the field of historic preservation and shall be placed in the  
13 department for the purposes of the state program.

14           (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), only an archaeologist  
15 who meets the minimum professional qualifications standards  
16 adopted by the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to 36 C.F.R.  
17 Part 61 may execute documents on behalf of the department that  
18 relate to any function of the program regarding archaeology,



1 including approval of permits, reports, or documents requiring  
2 archaeological review, concurrence, or determination."

3 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Historic Preservation; Archaeology

**Description:**

Authorizes only an archaeologist who meets the minimum professional qualifications standards adopted by the Secretary of the Interior to execute documents or issue approvals on behalf of DLNR regarding archaeological activities of the state historic preservation division.

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