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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 205-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
3 "(a) Subject to this section, the county planning
4 commission may permit certain unusual and reasonable uses within
5 agricultural and rural districts other than those for which the
6 district is classified. Any person who desires to use the
7 person's land within an agricultural or rural district other
8 than for an agricultural or rural use, as the case may be, may
9 petition the planning commission of the county within which the
10 person's land is located for permission to use the person's land
11 in the manner desired. Each county may establish the
12 appropriate fee for processing the special permit petition.
13 Copies of the special permit petition shall be forwarded to the
14 land use commission, the office of planning, and the department
15 of agriculture for their review and comment.
16 As used in this section, "unusual and reasonable uses"
17 shall include affordable housing, as defined in section 201H-57,



1 which is included in a county community or development plan, a
2 county zoning map, or any combination of the two."

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:

Affordable Housing; County Planning; Agricultural and Rural Districts

Description:

Adds affordable housing to unusual and reasonable uses within agricultural and rural districts, which may be permitted by county planning commissions.

