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S.B. NO. 616

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PLANNING.

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

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

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

16           SECTION 2. The department of business, economic  
17 development, and tourism's office of planning shall establish a  
18 commission to identify and prioritize federal properties that



1 may become surplus at some future date. The commission shall be  
2 composed of seven members from relevant state agencies and the  
3 public. The commission shall elect a chairperson and vice-  
4 chairperson from among its members. A majority of the members  
5 of the committee shall constitute a quorum. Members of the  
6 commission shall serve without compensation. The commission  
7 shall consult with appropriate federal agencies to identify  
8 relevant properties. Properties identified shall be prioritized  
9 in terms of their potential economic and social benefits to the  
10 State.

11 SECTION 3. The commission shall submit a report of its  
12 findings and recommendations to the governor and legislature by  
13 December 31, 2009.

14 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general  
15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much  
16 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 for  
17 identification and prioritization of federal properties for  
18 possible return to the State.

19 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
20 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of  
21 this Act.



1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;  
2 provided that section 4 shall take effect on July 1, 2009; and  
3 provided further that the Act shall be repealed on June 30,  
4 2010.

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**Report Title:**

State Plan; Federal Lands

**Description:**

Establishes a commission in the Office of Planning to identify and prioritize the return to the State of federal lands that are no longer needed for national defense or federal purposes.

