
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LAND PRESERVATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii Kai is one of
2 the most developed areas in the State and on the island of Oahu.
3 In the past three years, there have been four new single-family
4 and condominium developments in surrounding areas. Traffic to
5 the urban core, as is the case with other population centers on
6 the island of Oahu, such as Ewa Beach, Mililani, Kapolei, Aiea,
7 and Pearl City, is a long recognized issue. The strain caused
8 by the dense population in Hawaii Kai on county resources, such
9 as the cost of sewage and water systems, is also well
10 recognized.

11 The legislature further finds that the purchase of land to
12 preserve open space or to prevent over-development is not a
13 novel idea. Some past examples of the purchase or attempted
14 purchase of lands for an important public purpose include Waimea
15 Falls Adventure Park, Paradise Park, and Punaluu Beach. In
16 those examples, the State placed a priority in trying to
17 preserve unique habitats, open spaces, and limit development.



1 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to purchase
2 the remaining open space in Hawaii Kai presently owned by
3 Kamehameha Schools-Bishop Estate and to preserve the land as
4 open space.

5 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
7 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and the
8 same sum or so much thereof for fiscal year 2010-2011 to
9 purchase the remaining open space in Hawaii Kai owned by
10 Kamehameha Schools-Bishop Estate and to preserve the land as
11 open space.

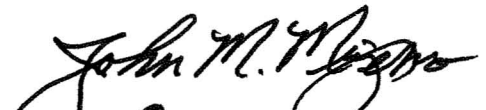

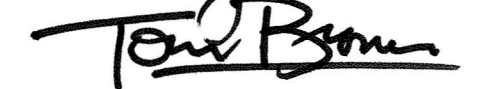
12 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
13 of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

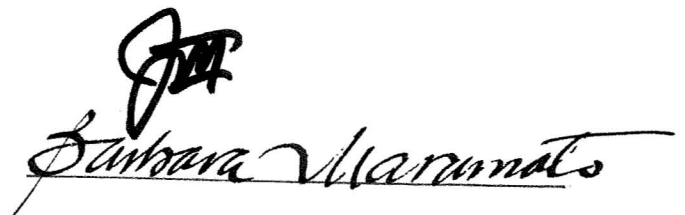
14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.




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Report Title:

Hawaii Kai; Purchase and Preservation; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to acquire and preserve remaining open space in Hawaii Kai.

