
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIANS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 201, Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, is
2 amended by amending the definition of "Native Hawaiian" in
3 subsection (a) to read as follows:

4 "Native Hawaiian" means any descendant of not less than
5 ~~[one-half]~~ one-quarter part of the blood of the races inhabiting
6 the Hawaiian Islands previous to 1778."

7 SECTION 2. Section 10-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8 amended by amending the definition of "Native Hawaiian" to read
9 as follows:

10 "Native Hawaiian" means any descendant of not less than
11 ~~[one-half]~~ one-quarter part of the races inhabiting the Hawaiian
12 Islands previous to 1778, as defined by the Hawaiian Homes
13 Commission Act, 1920, as amended; provided that the term
14 identically refers to the descendants of such blood quantum of
15 such aboriginal peoples which exercised sovereignty and
16 subsisted in the Hawaiian Islands in 1778 and which peoples
17 thereafter continued to reside in Hawaii."



1 SECTION 3. The provisions of the amendments made by this
 2 Act to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended, are
 3 declared to be severable, and if any section, sentence, clause,
 4 or phrase, or the application thereof to any person or
 5 circumstances is held ineffective because there is a requirement
 6 of having the consent of the United States to take effect, then
 7 that portion only shall take effect upon the granting of consent
 8 by the United States and effectiveness of the remainder of these
 9 amendments or the application thereof shall not be affected.

10 SECTION 4. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
 11 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
 12 begun before its effective date.

13 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval
 16 and with the consent of the United States Congress.

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Report Title:

Native Hawaiians; Blood Quantum

Description:

Reduces from 50% to 25% the amount of blood quantum needed to qualify for Hawaiian Homes leases and certain services of the office of Hawaiian affairs.

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