
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE PLAN.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the phasing out of
2 the sugar and pineapple industries in Hawaii has caused economic
3 dislocation and social instability in communities affected by
4 those changes. Uncontrolled economic redevelopment in these
5 communities has resulted in major infrastructural deficiencies
6 and dissatisfaction in those communities. The legislature
7 further finds that economic redevelopment in these communities
8 needs to be focused and tailored to serve the needs of those
9 communities. Concentrating economic redevelopment in defined
10 areas within communities will not only locate new job creation
11 closer to existing housing, but will contribute to more
12 efficient infrastructure planning and construction that will
13 help relieve traffic congestion and reduce costs.

14 The legislature further finds that economic development in
15 the State in general endangers historic preservation and the
16 loss of open spaces. Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to
17 develop a state land use plan that takes historic preservation,



1 preservation of open spaces, and economic development into
2 account.

3 SECTION 2. Section 226-52, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

5 "(b) The statewide planning system shall also consist of
6 several implementation mechanisms, including:

7 (1) Overall plan review, coordination, and evaluation.
8 Overall plan review, coordination, and evaluation
9 shall be conducted by the office;

10 (2) The state budgetary, land use, and other
11 decisionmaking processes. The state budgetary, land
12 use, and other decisionmaking processes shall consist
13 of:

14 (A) The program appropriations process. The
15 appropriation of funds for major programs under
16 the biennial and supplemental budgets shall be in
17 conformance with the overall theme, goals,
18 objectives, and policies, and shall utilize as
19 guidelines the priority guidelines contained
20 within this chapter, and the state functional
21 plans approved pursuant to this chapter;



1 (B) The capital improvement project appropriations
2 process. The appropriation of funds for major
3 plans and projects under the capital improvements
4 program shall be in conformance with the overall
5 theme, goals, objectives, and policies, and shall
6 utilize as guidelines the priority guidelines
7 contained within this chapter, and the state
8 functional plans approved pursuant to this
9 chapter;

10 (C) The budgetary review process of the department of
11 budget and finance. The budgetary review and
12 allocation process of the department of budget
13 and finance shall be in conformance with the
14 overall theme, goals, objectives, and policies,
15 and shall utilize as guidelines the priority
16 guidelines contained within this chapter, and the
17 state functional plans approved pursuant to this
18 chapter;

19 (D) Land use decisionmaking processes of state
20 agencies. Land use decisions made by state
21 agencies shall be in conformance with the overall
22 theme, goals, objectives, and policies, and shall



1 utilize as guidelines the priority guidelines
 2 contained within this chapter, and the state
 3 functional plans approved pursuant to this
 4 chapter. The rules adopted by appropriate state
 5 agencies to govern land use decisionmaking shall
 6 be in conformance with the overall theme, goals,
 7 objectives, and policies contained within this
 8 chapter; and

9 (E) All other regulatory and administrative
 10 decisionmaking processes of state agencies[~~τ~~
 11 which] shall be in conformance with the overall
 12 theme, goals, objectives, and policies[~~τ~~] and
 13 shall utilize, as guidelines, the priority
 14 guidelines contained within this chapter[~~τ~~] and
 15 the state functional plans approved pursuant to
 16 this chapter. Rules adopted by state agencies to
 17 govern decisionmaking shall be in conformance
 18 with the overall theme, goals, objectives, and
 19 policies contained within this chapter;

20 (3) The strategic planning processes. The office and
 21 other state agencies shall conduct strategic planning
 22 activities to identify and analyze significant issues,



1 problems, and opportunities confronting the State,
2 including the examination and evaluation of state
3 programs in implementing state policies and the
4 formulation of strategies and alternative courses of
5 action in response to identified problems and
6 opportunities. Strategic planning processes [~~may~~]:

7 (A) Shall give priority, in the following order, to:

8 (i) The need for the preservation of historic
9 and cultural places and things of importance
10 to the State;

11 (ii) The retention and preservation of valuable
12 open spaces; and

13 (iii) The creation of economic development zones,
14 concentrating major economic development
15 activities in a manner and at locations that
16 enhance economic development and job
17 creation near existing population centers;
18 and

19 (B) May include the conduct of surveys and other
20 monitoring instruments such as environmental
21 scanning to assess current social, economic, and
22 physical conditions and trends.



1 In conducting strategic planning activities, the
 2 office and other state agencies shall ensure that
 3 general public and agency concerns are solicited and
 4 taken into consideration. The formation of task
 5 forces, ad hoc committees, or other advisory bodies
 6 comprised of interested parties may serve to
 7 facilitate public involvement in specific planning
 8 projects; and

9 (4) Other coordination processes [~~which~~] that include the
 10 use of the state clearinghouse process. The state
 11 clearinghouse shall coordinate the review of all
 12 federally-assisted and direct federal development
 13 projects [~~which~~] that are covered under the state
 14 clearinghouse process."

15 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

17 SECTION 4w. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Hawaii State Plan

Description:

Requires that historic preservation, preservation of open spaces, and economic development zones, in that order, be given priority in the state plan strategic planning process.

