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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DAM SAFETY.

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

1           SECTION 1. (a) There is established the dam safety task  
2 force, to be placed within the department of land and natural  
3 resources for administrative purposes only.

4           (b) The dam safety task force shall consist of the  
5 following members:

6           (1) The chairperson of the board of land and natural  
7 resources or the chairperson's designee, who shall  
8 serve as the chairperson of the task force;

9           (2) The chairperson of the board of agriculture or the  
10 chairperson's designee;

11           (3) The attorney general or the attorney general's  
12 designee;

13           (4) The deputy director for water resource management of  
14 the department of land and natural resources or the  
15 deputy director's designee;

16           (5) Upon request, a member of the Hawaii Cattlemen's  
17 Council, selected by the Council; provided that the  
18 Council accepts the request;



- 1           (6) Upon request, a representative of the Hawaii Farm  
2           Bureau Federation, selected by the Federation;  
3           provided that the Federation accepts the request;
- 4           (7) Upon request, an owner of a parcel of agricultural  
5           land in the State greater than        acres that contains  
6           at least one dam, to be selected by the chairperson of  
7           the task force; provided that the owner accepts the  
8           request; and
- 9           (8) Upon request, five persons with specialized knowledge  
10          and experience in water resource management and  
11          engineering, to be selected by the chairperson of the  
12          task force; provided that the individuals accept the  
13          request.
- 14          (c) The dam safety task force shall review applicable  
15          state laws, administrative rules, and county ordinances and  
16          recommend actions to be taken by the engineering division of the  
17          department of land and natural resources in its administration  
18          of the Hawaii dam safety program.
- 19          (d) The members of the dam safety task force shall serve  
20          without compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses,  
21          including travel expenses, necessary for the performance of  
22          their duties.



1           (e) The dam safety task force shall report its findings  
2 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the  
3 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
4 the regular session of 2012.

5           (f) The dam safety task force shall cease to exist on June  
6 30, 2012.

7           SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



**Report Title:**

Dam Safety; Dam Safety Task Force

**Description:**

Establishes a dam safety task force to recommend safety actions to be included in the Hawaii dam safety program. Sunsets on June 30, 2012. Effective July 1, 2030. (HB744 HD1)

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