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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST.

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

- 1           SECTION 1. Section 226-18, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 3           "(c) To further achieve the energy objectives, it shall be  
4 the policy of this State to:
- 5           (1) Support research and development as well as promote  
6           the use of renewable energy sources;
- 7           (2) Ensure that the combination of energy supplies and  
8           energy-saving systems is sufficient to support the  
9           demands of growth;
- 10          (3) Base decisions of least-cost supply-side and demand-  
11          side energy resource options on a comparison of their  
12          total costs and benefits when a least-cost is  
13          determined by a reasonably comprehensive,  
14          quantitative, and qualitative accounting of their  
15          long-term, direct and indirect economic,  
16          environmental, social, cultural, and public health  
17          costs and benefits;



1 (4) Promote all cost-effective conservation of power and  
2 fuel supplies through measures, including:

3 (A) Development of cost-effective demand-side  
4 management programs;

5 (B) Education; and

6 (C) Adoption of energy-efficient practices and  
7 technologies;

8 (5) Ensure, to the extent that new supply-side resources  
9 are needed, that the development or expansion of  
10 energy systems uses the least-cost energy supply  
11 option and maximizes efficient technologies;

12 (6) Support research, development, demonstration, and use  
13 of energy efficiency, load management, and other  
14 demand-side management programs, practices, and  
15 technologies;

16 (7) Promote alternate fuels and transportation energy  
17 efficiency;

18 (8) Support actions that reduce, avoid, or sequester  
19 greenhouse gases in utility, transportation, and  
20 industrial sector applications;



- 1           (9) Support actions that reduce, avoid, or sequester
- 2           Hawaii's greenhouse gas emissions through agriculture
- 3           and forestry initiatives; [~~and~~]
- 4           (10) Provide priority handling and processing for all state
- 5           and county permits required for renewable energy
- 6           projects[-];
- 7           (11) Promote the development of geothermal energy resources
- 8           that are located on public trust land as an affordable
- 9           and reliable source of firm power for Hawaii; and
- 10          (12) Ensure that the development of energy resources on
- 11          public trust land directly benefits native Hawaiians
- 12          and the public beneficiaries of the trust."

13           SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
 14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15           SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Hawaii State Planning Act; Renewable Energy; Public Land Trust;  
Geothermal

**Description:**

Amends the Hawaii state planning act to include promoting the development of geothermal energy resources that are located on public trust land as a source of firm power to achieve state energy objectives.

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