

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

May 21, 2013

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The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on May 21, 2013, the following bill was signed into law:

HB785 HD1 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO PRODUCTION OF RECORDS **ACT 077 (13)**

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawaii

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 077
H.B. NO. 785

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PRODUCTION OF RECORDS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 10H-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- 3 "(a) There is established a five-member Native Hawaiian
- 4 roll commission within the office of Hawaiian affairs for
- 5 administrative purposes only. The Native Hawaiian roll
- 6 commission shall be responsible for:
- 7 (1) Preparing and maintaining a roll of qualified Native
 8 Hawaiians;
- 9 (2) Certifying that the individuals on the roll of
 10 qualified Native Hawaiians meet the definition of
 11 qualified Native Hawaiians. For purposes of
 12 establishing the roll, a "qualified Native Hawaiian"
 13 means an individual [who] whom the commission
 14 determines has satisfied the following criteria and
 15 who makes a written statement certifying that the

individual:

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1	(A) Is:	
2	(i)	An individual who is a descendant of the
3		aboriginal peoples who, prior to 1778,
4		occupied and exercised sovereignty in the
5		Hawaiian islands, the area that now
6		constitutes the State of Hawaii; [ex]
7	(ii)	An individual who is one of the indigenous,
8		native people of Hawaii and who was eligible
9		in 1921 for the programs authorized by the
10		Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, or a
11		direct lineal descendant of that individual;
12		or
13	<u>(iii)</u>	An individual who meets the ancestry
14	·	requirements of Kamehameha Schools or of any
15		Hawaiian registry program of the office of
16		Hawailan affairs;
17	(B) Has	maintained a significant cultural, social, or
18	civi	c connection to the Native Hawaiian community
19	and	wishes to participate in the organization of
20	the	Native Hawaiian governing entity; and
21	(C) Is e	eighteen years of age or older; [and]

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1	(3)	Receiving and maintaining documents that verify
2		ancestry; cultural, social, or civic connection to the
3		Native Hawaiian community; and age from individuals
4		seeking to be included in the roll of qualified Native
5		Hawaiians. Notwithstanding any other law to the
6		contrary, these verification documents shall be
7		confidential[-]; and
8	(4)	Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary,
9		including in the roll of qualified Native Hawaiians
10		all individuals already registered with the State as
11		verified Hawaiians or Native Hawaiians through the
12		office of Hawaiian affairs as demonstrated by the
13		production of relevant office of Hawaiian affairs
14		records, and extending to those individuals all rights
15		and recognitions conferred upon other members of the
16		roll."
17	SECT	ION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
18	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
19	. SECT	ION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

APPROVED this 21 day of MAY , 2013

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII