
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CULTURE AND ARTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that finding and
2 retaining affordable work and living space is a significant
3 problem for artists, painters, sculptors, dancers, and others
4 who require an abundance of well-lit space in which to work.
5 Many artists gravitate to old warehouses and other industrial
6 buildings, but their very presence in an industrial neighborhood
7 often acts as a catalyst for setting in motion a process of
8 gentrification that drives rent up and forces the artists out.
9 This is precisely what happened in Minneapolis' historic
10 warehouse district in the 1970s and led to the creation of
11 Artspace in 1979. Established to serve as an advocate and
12 developer for artists' space needs, Artspace is now America's
13 leading nonprofit real estate developer for the arts. In the
14 last few years, Artspace has further expanded its mission to
15 incorporate the planning and development of performing arts
16 centers, other art facilities, and entire art districts
17 throughout the country.



1 The legislature further finds that the Ola Ka Ilima
2 Artspace lofts create affordable living and work space for local
3 artists to be more productive and more collaborative and to earn
4 more from their artistic work. The Ola Ka Ilima Artspace is led
5 by Artspace working with PA'I, the State of Hawaii, the Hawaii
6 community development authority, the city and county of
7 Honolulu, and the mayor's office of culture and arts. Along
8 with leveraging artistic energy into advancing complementary
9 public agendas and creating affordable space where local non-
10 profit partners can translate increased stability into increased
11 programming and impact, this project creates a home for the PA'I
12 arts and culture center to preserve and perpetuate Hawaiian
13 cultural traditions for future generations.

14 The purpose of this Act is to make an appropriation for the
15 Ola Ka Ilima Artspace project that helps artists with affordable
16 living and work space.

17 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
18 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
19 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and
20 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
21 year 2014-2015 as a grant pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii



1 Revised Statutes, to Ola Ka Ilima Artspace Lofts, LLC, for the
2 Ola Ka Ilima Artspace project.

3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
4 of accounting and general services for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

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INTRODUCED BY: Sen. Sam B/R

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Description:

Appropriates funds as a grant pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for the Ola Ka Ilima Artspace project. Effective July 1, 2013.

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