A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING URBAN GARDENING.

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

- SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the long-term
 sustainability of the State depends upon improved uses of land
 that has already been developed. The legislature also finds
 that growing edible agriculture in urban areas contributes
 significantly to urban sustainability by providing locallyproduced agricultural goods, as well as improving the landscape
 of these areas.
- 8 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the Hawaii housing
- 9 finance and development corporation and the Hawaii community
- 10 development authority to develop programs that provide
- 11 incentives for the development of housing projects that
- 12 incorporate urban gardening programs.
- 13 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
- 14 Hawaii housing finance and development corporation and the
- 15 Hawaii community development authority may develop programs that
- 16 provide incentives for the development of housing projects that
- 17 incorporate urban gardening programs; provided that the college
- 18 of tropical agriculture and human resources of the University of HB560 HD1 HMS 2013-1615



- 1 Hawaii at Manoa shall be consulted regarding best practices in
- 2 urban gardening, including vertical gardening, aquaponics, and
- 3 community gardening.
- 4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Urban Gardening; Housing Projects

Description:

Authorizes the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation and Hawaii Community Development Authority to develop programs that provide incentives for the development of housing projects that incorporate urban gardening programs. (HB560 HD1)

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