
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO URBAN GROWTH COMMISSION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 225M, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "~~§225M-~~ Urban growth commission; established (a)

5 There is established an urban growth commission within the
6 office of planning for administrative purposes. Notwithstanding
7 any law to the contrary, the commission shall establish
8 standards for density, building design, and infrastructure, and
9 other standards the commission deems necessary to mitigate
10 adverse impacts of development on the surrounding community,
11 within urban growth boundaries.

12 (b) The commission shall convene in 2013, and every five
13 years thereafter, and shall consist of:

14 (1) The chairperson of the board of land and natural
15 resources, who shall serve as chairperson of the
16 commission;

17 (2) The executive director of the Hawaii community
18 development authority;



- 1 (3) The director of transportation;
- 2 (4) The director of planning and permitting of the city
- 3 and county of Honolulu;
- 4 (5) The director of planning of the county of Hawaii;
- 5 (6) The director of planning of the county of Kauai;
- 6 (7) The director of planning of the county of Maui;
- 7 (8) One faculty member from the department of urban and
- 8 regional planning at the university of Hawaii at
- 9 Manoa;
- 10 (9) One member appointed by the governor;
- 11 (10) One member appointed by the president of the senate;
- 12 and
- 13 (11) One member appointed by the speaker of the house of
- 14 representatives.

15 (c) The members of the commission shall serve without
16 compensation but shall be reimbursed for travel and other
17 necessary expenses.

18 (d) The development standards established by the
19 commission pursuant to subsection (a) shall be adopted in
20 accordance with chapter 91. Notwithstanding any law, ordinance,
21 or rule to the contrary, the development standards established
22 by the commission shall supersede all state and county



1 development standards applicable within urban growth boundaries;
2 provided that environmental review requirements established
3 under chapter 343 shall not be superseded. The development
4 standards shall remain in force and effect until amended,
5 replaced, or repealed by a subsequent urban growth commission."

6 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Land Use; Urban Growth Commission; Density; Design; Standards;
Office of Planning

Description:

Establishes an urban growth commission within the office of planning to establish standards for density, building design, and infrastructure, and other standards the commission deems necessary to mitigate adverse impacts of development on the surrounding community, within urban growth boundaries. (SD1)

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