
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LAND.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Kalama Village
2 Center is a neighborhood strip retail center located on 6.6
3 acres of land in Kalama valley. Built in 1984 on leasehold
4 property, the center has never had an anchor tenant and is
5 generally considered underdeveloped. The same cannot be said,
6 however, of the immediately surrounding area.

7 The legislature also finds that Hawaii Kai, in general, is
8 one of the most developed areas in the State and on the island
9 of Oahu. In only the past two years, there have been four new
10 single family and condominium developments in surrounding
11 areas. Traffic to the urban core, as is the case with other
12 population centers on the island of Oahu, such as Ewa beach,
13 Mililani, Kapolei, Aiea, and Pearl City, is a long recognized
14 issue. The strain on county resources, such as sewage and
15 water, is also well recognized.

16 The legislature further finds that the purchase of land to
17 preserve open space or to prevent overdevelopment is not a novel
18 idea. Our history is rife with examples of the purchase or



1 attempted purchase of lands for an important public purpose,
 2 such as the purchase or attempted purchases of Waimea valley,
 3 Paradise Park, and Punaluu beach, to name but a few. In those
 4 examples, the important public purpose was to preserve unique
 5 biospheres, open space, and to limit development. In this case,
 6 the important public purpose is similar, to preserve open space,
 7 limit development, and limit the environmental harms that come
 8 with overdevelopment.

9 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to acquire
 10 the Kalama Village Center in fee in order to preserve open space
 11 as a state park area.

12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
 13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
 14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 for the
 15 purposes of Section 1 of this Act.

16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
 17 land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

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

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INTRODUCED BY:



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H.B. NO. 1230

Report Title:

Kalama Village Center; Purchase

Description:

Appropriates funds to purchase the Kalama Village Center in order to make the site a park area to preserve open space.

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