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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE STATE CAPITOL  
REFLECTING POOLS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The state capitol building is on the National  
2 Register of Historic Places and the state register of historic  
3 places. The waterproof membrane under the reflecting pools has  
4 not been replaced since the state capitol building was opened on  
5 March 16, 1969. The reflecting pools are periodically fed by  
6 brackish water from wells. The brackish water has a propensity  
7 to leak into the underlying chamber level of the state capitol  
8 building, resulting in damage to offices and corrosion to  
9 electrical conduits and to ducts of the mechanical air  
10 conditioning duct.

11           The legislature finds that the reflecting pools, which  
12 total approximately 77,000 square feet, have long been plagued  
13 by persistent algae growth and have become stagnant because of  
14 inadequate water circulation and no filtration. The reflecting  
15 pools cannot be abandoned or neglected because the state  
16 historic preservation division deems the reflecting pools to be  
17 a "character-defining element" of the state capitol.



1           The purpose of this Act is to make an appropriation to the  
2 department of accounting and general services for capital  
3 improvements to the state capitol reflecting pools.

4           SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue  
5 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$1,000,000 or so much  
6 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof  
7 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2013-2014  
8 for the design for the replacement of the state capitol  
9 reflecting pools bottom; waterproof membrane; circulation  
10 system; natural filtration system, such as the use of aquatic  
11 plants for bioremediation; and other improvements.

12           SECTION 3. The director of finance is authorized to issue  
13 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$10,541,000 or so much  
14 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof  
15 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2014-2015  
16 for the construction of the replacement of the state capitol  
17 reflecting pools bottom; waterproof membrane; circulation  
18 system; natural filtration system, such as the use of aquatic  
19 plants for bioremediation; and other improvements.

20           SECTION 4. The appropriation made for the capital  
21 improvement projects authorized by this Act shall not lapse at  
22 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is

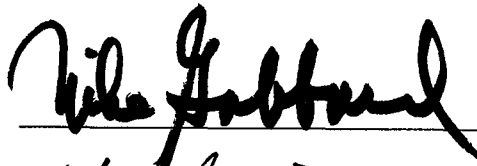


1 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation  
2 unencumbered as of June 30, 2016, shall lapse as of that date.

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

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# S.B. NO. 21

**Report Title:**

Capitol Reflecting Pools; Appropriation

**Description:**

Makes appropriation to design and construct the replacement of the waterproof membrane and create a natural filtration system for the reflecting pools at the state capitol building.

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