

---

---

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIAN BURIALS.

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

1           SECTION 1. (a) There is established within the department  
2 of land and natural resources for administrative purposes an iwi  
3 reinterment working group.

4           (b) The working group shall elect a chair from among its  
5 members and adopt rules and procedures as needed. The working  
6 group shall consist of the following members:

7           (1) One representative from the state historic  
8           preservation division;

9           (2) One representative from the office of Hawaiian  
10           affairs;

11           (3) One representative from the Kaho'olawe island reserve  
12           commission;

13           (4) One representative from the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana;

14           (5) One representative from the aha moku advisory  
15           committee;

16           (6) One representative from the Association of Hawaiian  
17           Civic Clubs; and



1           (7) One Hawaiian cultural practitioner who shall be  
2           appointed by the governor.

3           (c) The working group shall create a process to select and  
4           reinter Native Hawaiian remains in the possession of the State,  
5           whose provenience is unknown, or in other special circumstances,  
6           on the island of Kaho'olawe. The working group shall determine  
7           the annual costs of such a reinterment process, including the  
8           costs of reinterment and monitoring and stewardship of the  
9           burial area.

10          (d) The members of the working group shall serve without  
11          compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including  
12          travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.

13          (e) The working group shall submit a report of its  
14          findings and recommendations to the legislature no later than  
15          twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of  
16          2015.

17          (f) The working group shall be dissolved on June 30, 2015.

18          SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



**Report Title:**

Reinterment; Native Hawaiian Remains; Kaho'olawe

**Description:**

Establishes an iwi reinterment working group to create a process to reinter Native Hawaiian remains in the possession of the State, whose provenience is unknown, or in other special circumstances, on the island of Kaho'olawe. (SD1)

*The summary description of legislation appearing on this page is for informational purposes only and is not legislation or evidence of legislative intent.*

