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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONSERVATION DISTRICTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 183C-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
3 "(b) The department shall render a decision on a completed
4 application for a permit within [~~one hundred eighty~~] one hundred
5 eighty days of its acceptance by the department. If within
6 [~~one hundred eighty~~] one hundred eighty days after acceptance of
7 a completed application for a permit, the department shall fail
8 to give notice, hold a hearing, and render a decision, the owner
9 may automatically put the owner's land to the use or uses
10 requested in the owner's application. When an environmental
11 impact statement is required pursuant to chapter 343, or when a
12 contested case hearing is requested pursuant to chapter 91, the
13 [~~one hundred eighty~~] one hundred eighty days [~~may~~] shall be
14 extended an additional ninety days [~~at the request of the~~
15 ~~applicant.~~] beyond the time necessary to complete the
16 requirements of chapter 343 or chapter 91. Any request for



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1 additional extensions by the applicant shall be subject to the
2 approval of the board."

3 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Conservation District; Permits

Description:

Requires a ninety day extension of the conservation district permit decision deadline beyond the time necessary to complete an environmental impact statement or contested case hearing.

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