
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE PLANNING.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hawaii State
2 Planning Act was enacted in 1978 to improve the planning process
3 and guide future development of the State. The Hawaii State
4 Planning Act sets forth the Hawaii state plan, which articulates
5 goals and policies to guide the development of the State and
6 establishes an integrated planning and implementation system
7 regarding those goals and policies. The last review of the
8 Hawaii State Planning Act was initiated in 1983 and completed in
9 1985 and resulted in several amendments to the Hawaii State
10 Planning Act. Since then, there have been significant changes
11 in Hawaii's economic, physical, and social conditions;
12 technology; and the global marketplace. The State also faces
13 new constraints and opportunities as it plans for the future.
14 Thus, the legislature finds that a comprehensive review of the
15 Hawaii State Planning Act, chapter 226, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
16 is now warranted.



1 The purpose and intent of this Act is to provide for the
 2 review and update of the Hawaii State Planning Act and continue
 3 efforts to develop goals and policies to guide the development
 4 of the State. Specifically, this Act requires and provides
 5 funding for the office of planning, among other things, to
 6 review the Hawaii State Planning Act and report to the
 7 legislature its recommendations for updating the Hawaii State
 8 Planning Act to appropriately address the needs of the State.

9 SECTION 2. The office of planning shall review the Hawaii
 10 state plan as set forth in the Hawaii State Planning Act for the
 11 purpose of making recommendations for amendments to update the
 12 plan in response to current state needs. Specifically, the
 13 office of planning shall:

14 (1) Review and analyze the formation, evolution,
 15 implementation, and coordination of the Hawaii State
 16 Planning Act;

17 (2) Identify and analyze conflicts between the Hawaii
 18 State Planning Act, county plans, functional plans,
 19 and state programs;

20 (3) Review and analyze major plans, programs, projects,
 21 and regulatory activities proposed by state and county



- 1 agencies as they relate to the Hawaii State Planning
2 Act;
- 3 (4) Review and analyze state capital improvement projects
4 as they relate to the Hawaii State Planning Act;
- 5 (5) Identify and analyze significant issues, emerging
6 issues, problems, and opportunities confronting the
7 State as they relate to the Hawaii State Planning Act;
- 8 (6) Solicit, review, and analyze proposals for amendments
9 to the Hawaii State Planning Act from the general
10 public;
- 11 (7) As appropriate, provide reports, recommendations,
12 strategies, and alternative courses of action to the
13 governor regarding the Hawaii State Planning Act; and
- 14 (8) Review and analyze the county planning process and the
15 impact it has on county permitting and the number and
16 type of projects breaking ground in the State.
- 17 Not later than thirty days prior to the convening of the
18 regular session of 2018, the office of planning shall submit a
19 written report to the legislature of its findings,
20 recommendations, and proposed legislation, regarding its review
21 and proposed updates to the Hawaii State Planning Act.



1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for
4 reviewing, analyzing, reporting, and proposing updates to the
5 Hawaii State Planning Act.

6 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the office of
7 planning for the purposes of this Act.

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

State Planning Act; Office of Planning; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Office of Planning to review and propose updates to the State Planning Act and submit a written report to the Legislature. Makes an appropriation. (SB2829 HD1)

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