
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LAND LEASES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Act 90, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003, was
2 enacted to transfer certain non-agricultural park lands from the
3 department of land and natural resources to the department of
4 agriculture. The legislature finds that many lessees of large
5 acreages of land, primarily farmers and ranchers, have already
6 been notified by the department of agriculture that their land
7 leases were to be transferred to and managed by the department
8 of agriculture. However, nearly seventeen years later, the
9 department of land and natural resources has not yet transferred
10 the land.

11 The purpose of this Act is to set a deadline for the
12 transfer of certain non-agricultural park lands from the
13 department of land and natural resources to the department of
14 agriculture pursuant to Act 90, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003.

15 SECTION 2. (a) Pursuant to Act 90, Session Laws of Hawaii
16 2003, the department of land and natural resources shall



1 transfer applicable lands to the department of agriculture by
2 June 30, 2019.

3 (b) Any lands identified and approved for unconditional
4 transfer as non-agricultural park lands and not transferred by
5 the deadline in subsection (a) shall be placed under the
6 jurisdiction of the department of agriculture by July 1, 2020.
7 The department of land and natural resources shall be
8 responsible for all leases and agreements that are not in
9 compliance with section 166E-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The
10 department of agriculture shall assume responsibility for
11 compliant leases and agreements and shall negotiate future
12 leases and agreements by July 1, 2020.

13 (c) The department of land and natural resources and
14 department of agriculture shall jointly report to the
15 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
16 the regular session of 2018 on their efforts to effectuate the
17 land transfers under this Act, including providing a list of all
18 identified land transfers.

19 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



Report Title:

Non-agricultural Park Lands

Description:

Sets a deadline for the transfer of certain non-agricultural park lands from the Department of Land and Natural Resources to the Department of Agriculture. (HB618 HD2)

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