A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS.

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

1	PART I
2	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that among the classes of
3	public lands managed by the department of land and natural
4	resources are commercial, industrial, hotel, and resort lands.
5	The legislature further finds that because of restrictions
6	imposed by various land management policies, there is little
7	incentive for lessees of various parcels to make improvements to
8	the leased parcels. This has resulted in dilapidation,
9	deterioration, and obsolescence of the properties, which reduces
10	the revenue-generating potential of the parcels.
11	The purpose of this part is to identify areas of
12	commercial, industrial, resort, and hotel parcels in need of
13	revitalization and to establish guidelines for the redevelopment
14	of those parcels.
15	SECTION 2. Chapter 171, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16	amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and
17	to read as follows:

1		"PART . PUBLIC LANDS REDEVELOPMENT
2	§171	-A Findings; purpose. (a) The legislature finds
3	that:	
4	(1)	Because of the policies guiding the management of
5		public lands with commercial, industrial, hotel, and
6		resort uses, there has been little incentive for the
7		lessees of those properties to make major investments
8		in improvements to their infrastructure, resulting in
9		the deterioration of infrastructure and facilities;
10	(2)	The lack of improvement to property in many of these
11		areas has resulted in dilapidation, deterioration,
12		age, or obsolescence of the buildings and structures
13	ř	in those areas; and
14	(3)	The department has the responsibility of planning for
15		the disposition of commercial, industrial, hotel, and
16		resort classes of public lands to determine:
17		(A) Specific use or uses;
18		(B) Minimum size of parcels;
19		(C) Required building construction or improvements;
20		and
21		(D) Lease terms and requirements.

1	(a)	The purpose of this part is to authorize the
2	designation	on of areas or regions of public lands classified as
3	commercia	l, industrial, hotel, and resort, and the establishment
4	and implem	mentation of guidelines for the redevelopment of the
5	areas or :	regions that will:
6	(1)	Define the policies for the management of public lands
7		in the designated area;
8	(2)	Establish a plan for the designated area, including
9		district-wide improvements, that is coordinated with
10		state and county land use and planning policies; and
11	(3)	Implement asset and property management concepts that
12		can optimize income from the properties and evolve in
13		response to changing principles of property
14		administration.
15	(c)	The legislature finds that the rejuvenation of areas
16	of public	lands that have become dilapidated, obsolete, or have
17	deteriora	ted over time is in the public interest and constitutes
18	a valid p	ublic purpose.
19	§171	-B Definitions. As used in this part:

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- 1 "Planning committee" or "committee" means the policy-making
- 2 committee established for a redevelopment district pursuant to
- 3 section 171-D.
- 4 "Public facilities" includes streets and highways, storm
- 5 drainage systems, water systems, street lighting systems, off-
- 6 street parking facilities, and sanitary sewerage systems.
- 7 "Redevelopment district" or "designated district" means an
- 8 area of public lands designated for redevelopment pursuant to
- 9 section 171-C.
- 10 §171-C Designation of redevelopment district; boundaries.
- 11 (a) The legislature shall designate redevelopment districts by
- 12 statute for any area of public lands designated as an industrial
- 13 park pursuant to section 171-132 or classified as commercial,
- 14 industrial, hotel, or resort use pursuant to section 171-10 if
- 15 the legislature determines that there is a need for planning,
- 16 development, or redevelopment because the buildings and infra-
- 17 structures in the area are dilapidated or have deteriorated due
- 18 to age or obsolescence.
- 19 (b) The designation shall describe the boundaries of the
- 20 redevelopment district.

1	81/1	-D Planning committee; district administrator; repeal.
2	(a) Upon	the designation of a redevelopment district pursuant
3	to section	n 171-C, a planning committee for the designated
4	district	shall be established and placed in the department for
5	administra	ative purposes.
6	(b)	The committee shall be a policy-making committee for
7	the design	nated district and shall consist of nine members. The
8	members s	hall consist of:
9	(1)	The chairperson of the board of land and natural
10		resources and the director of planning of the county
11		in which the designated district is located, or their
12		designated representatives, who shall be ex officio,
13		voting members of the committee; and
14	(2)	Seven public, voting members appointed by the governor
15		pursuant to section 26-34; provided that of the
16		members appointed pursuant to this paragraph:
17		(A) Three members shall be selected from a list of
18		six names submitted by the president of the
19		senate and speaker of the house of
20		representatives in collaboration with the

1	legislators from the county in which the
2	designated district is located;
3	(B) Seven members shall be selected on the basis of
4	their knowledge, experience, and expertise in:
5	(i) Management of small or large businesses;
6	(ii) Economics, banking, investment, or finance;
7	(iii) Real estate development;
8	(iv) Real estate management;
9	(v) Marketing; or
10	(vi) Hotel and resort management; and
11	(C) Four members shall be residents of the county in
12	which the designated district is located, and
13	three members shall be residents of the State.
14	(c) The committee shall elect its chairperson from among
15	its public, voting members.
16	(d) The members of the committee shall serve without
17	compensation but shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses,
18	including travel expenses, incurred in the performance of their
19	duties.
20	(e) The committee shall appoint a district administrator,
21	who shall be the chief executive officer for the designated

1	district.	The	district	administrator	shall	have	experience	and
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- 2 expertise in engineering, planning, architecture, real estate,
- 3 or law. The committee shall set the district administrator's
- 4 duties, responsibilities, holidays, vacations, leaves, hours of
- 5 work, and working conditions. The committee shall set the
- 6 salary of the district administrator, who shall serve at the
- 7 pleasure of the committee and shall be exempt from chapter 76.
- 8 (f) The committee shall be dissolved on June 30 of the
- 9 tenth year following the effective date of the Act establishing
- 10 the designated district.
- 11 §171-E Planning committee; powers and duties; generally.
- 12 The committee shall have the powers and duties related to its
- 13 functions in the designated district that are delegated to the
- 14 committee by the board. In addition, the committee may:
- 15 (1) Through its district administrator, appoint staff and
- 16 employees, prescribe their duties and qualifications,
- and fix their salaries, without regard to chapter 76;
- 18 (2) Through its district administrator, allocate space or
- 19 spaces that are to be occupied by the committee and
- 20 appropriate staff, and purchase necessary supplies,
- 21 equipment, or furniture;

I	(3)	Prepare a redevelopment plan for the designated
2		district;
3	(4)	Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, renew
4		or renegotiate any lease in connection with any
5		project contained in the redevelopment plan for the
6		designated district, on terms and conditions as the
7		committee deems advisable;
8	(5)	Prepare or cause to be prepared plans, design
9		criteria, landscaping, and estimates of costs for the
10		construction, rehabilitation, or repair of any project
11		contained in the redevelopment plan for the designated
12		district, and from time to time modify the plans or
13		estimates;
14	(6)	Conduct studies in conjunction with county and state
15		agencies necessary to determine the appropriate
16		activities for redevelopment in the designated
17		district;
18	(7)	Reduce or waive the lease rental on any lease of
19		public land for any project in the designated district
20		that requires substantial improvements; provided that

I		the	reduction or waiver shall not exceed one year in
2		dura	tion;
3	(8)	Make	and execute all contracts and instruments that
4		are	necessary for the exercise of the committee's
5		powe	rs and functions relating to the designated
6		dist	rict, including the engaging of the services of
7		cons	ultants for the rendering of professional and
8		tech	nical assistance and advice;
9	(9)	Ente	r into a redevelopment agreement with a developer
10		or d	evelopers for any project contained in the
11		rede	velopment plan; provided that the redevelopment
12		agre	ement shall contain:
13		(A)	The location, area, and size of the parcel to be
14			redeveloped;
15		(B)	The use or uses of the parcel in conformance with
16			the redevelopment plan and applicable state and
17			county laws and ordinances;
18		(C)	The period of time for the construction and
19			completion of the redevelopment; and
20		(D)	Other terms and conditions that the committee
21			deems necessary;

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1	(10)	Work closely and communicate with the county
2		government to coordinate the execution of the
3		designated district's planning, incremental projects
4		work schedules, public works, and budget; and
5	(11)	Do any and all things necessary to carry out the
6		committee's purposes and exercise the powers
7		established pursuant to this part.
8	§171	-F District redevelopment plan. (a) The committee
9	shall pre	pare a redevelopment plan for the designated district
10	including	district development policies, the district
11	improveme	nt program, necessary public facilities, and the
12	developme	nt guidelines and rules for the designated district.
13	In carryi	ng out its planning activities, the committee shall
14	comply wi	th applicable state and county statutes, ordinances,
15	and rules	
16	(b)	The committee shall prepare a redevelopment plan for
17	the desig	nated district that:
18	(1)	Establishes, if applicable, areas principally for:
19		(A) Commercial activities;

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1		(B)	Processing, construction, manufacturing,
2			transportation, wholesaling, storage and similar
3			industrial activities;
4		(C)	Resort and hotel activities, including uses that
5			provide facilities and services for visitors; or
6		(D)	Public facilities and recreational facilities;
7			with detailed standards for height, bulk, size,
8			and location of buildings;
9	(2)	Incl	udes a district-wide improvement program for
10		nece	ssary district-wide public facilities within the
11		desi	gnated district;
12	(3)	Incl	udes plans, specifications, and estimates of the
13		cost	s for the development, construction,
14		reco	nstruction, or improvement of any project in the
15		desi	gnated district; provided that the committee may
16		from	time to time modify the plans, specifications, or
17		esti	mates;
18	(4)	If po	ossible, identifies specific uses for areas in the
19		desi	gnated district and the required parceling of land
20		into	minimum size areas related to the specific uses;

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1	(5)	Determines the lease rental that should be established
2		for the specific uses and the terms and conditions of
3		the leases: and

- (6) Establishes interim development controls to be implemented during the transition to the execution of the provisions of the redevelopment plan, such as recommending the holdover of a lessee pursuant to section 171-40 or issuance of permits pursuant to section 171-55 to existing lessees upon the expiration of their lease terms.
- 11 The district redevelopment plan may provide for the 12 withdrawal or taking for public purposes of the public land or 13 portion of the public land under a lease. The rental shall be 14 reduced in proportion to the value of the portion of the 15 premises condemned, and the lessee shall be entitled to receive 16 the proportionate value of the permanent improvements legally 17 made to or constructed upon the land by the lessee taken in the 18 proportion that it bears to the unexpired term of the lease.
 - (d) The committee shall hold a public hearing on a proposed redevelopment plan for the designated district, and

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- 1 shall consider the comments received and incorporate any
- 2 revisions to the plan that may be necessary.
- 3 (e) Two years after the date the committee is established,
- 4 it shall submit a report to the board with the redevelopment
- 5 plan recommended by the committee along with recommendations for
- 6 appropriations by the legislature, the authorization of bonds,
- 7 or both, to implement the redevelopment plan in a timely manner.
- 8 The board shall submit the report to the governor and the
- 9 legislature, not later than twenty days prior to the convening
- 10 of the 2020 regular session, with a request for the required
- 11 appropriations, bond authorization, or both.
- 12 (f) The designated district redevelopment plan shall
- 13 supersede all other inconsistent ordinances and rules relating
- 14 to the use, planning, development, and construction on public
- 15 land in the designated district.
- 16 §171-G Designated redevelopment district revolving fund.
- 17 (a) A separate revolving fund shall be established for each
- 18 redevelopment district designated pursuant to section 171-C,
- 19 into which shall be deposited:

1	(1)	Fifty per cent of the revenues, income, and receipts
2		of the department from the public lands in the
3		designated district, notwithstanding section 171-19;
4	(2)	Moneys appropriated by the legislature to the
5		revolving fund; and
6	(3)	Any gifts, grants, and other funds accepted by the
7		department.
8	Each revo	lving fund shall bear the name used by the legislature
9	in design	ating the redevelopment district.
10	(b)	Moneys in the designated redevelopment district
11	revolving	fund shall be used in the designated district for the
12	purposes	of this part; provided that no expenditure shall be
13	made from	the fund and no obligation shall be incurred against
14	the fund	in excess of the amount standing to the credit of the
15	fund."	
16	SECT	TON 3. Section 171-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
17	amended b	y amending the definition of "public purpose" to read
18	as follow	rs:
19	" " Pu	blic purpose", as used in this chapter, unless the
20	context c	learly indicates otherwise, includes but shall not be

limited to all public uses, the straightening of boundaries of

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1	public la	nds, acquisition of access to landlocked public lands,	
2	the conso	lidation of the holdings of public lands, development	
3	of housel	ots, farmlots, [and] industrial parks[-], and the	
4	redevelopment of public lands pursuant to part ."		
5	SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general		
6	revenues	of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so	
7	much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and		
8	the same	sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal	
9	year 2018	-2019 to carry out the purposes of this part.	
10	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department		
11	of land and natural resources for the purposes of this part.		
12		PART II	
13	SECT	ION 5. The legislature finds that:	
14	(1)	The Waiakea peninsula of the island of Hawaii contains	
15		approximately eighty-five per cent of the overnight	
16		visitor accommodations in east Hawaii county;	
17	(2)	The State owns a large part of the Waiakea peninsula	
18		area;	
19	(3)	There has been little incentive for the lessees of the	
20		properties in the area to make major investments in	
21		improvements to their infrastructure, resulting in the	

1	deterioration of the area's infrastructure and		
2	facilities; and		
3	(4) The State has a responsibility to ensure that the		
4	Waiakea peninsula area does not deteriorate and have a		
5	harmful impact on the economy of the community as a		
6	whole.		
7	The public lands in the area present an opportunity for the		
8	revitalization and redevelopment of a district where hotel and		
9	resort, commercial, and public uses may coexist compatibly		
10	within the same area.		
11	SECTION 6. The legislature designates the public lands on		
12	the Waiakea peninsula on the island of Hawaii as the Waiakea		
13	peninsula redevelopment district.		
14	SECTION 7. The Waiakea peninsula redevelopment district		
15	shall include the area bounded by the shoreline from the		
16	intersection of Lihiwai street and Kamehameha avenue; Kamehameha		
17	avenue to its intersection with Kalanianaole avenue;		
18	Kalanianaole avenue to its intersection with Banyan way; Banyan		
19	way from its intersection with Kalanianaole avenue to its		
20	intersection with Banyan drive; from the intersection of Banyan		
21	way and Banyan drive to the shoreline; the shoreline around the		

- 1 Waiakea peninsula, including Mokuola island, to the intersection
- 2 of Lihiwai street and Kamehameha avenue.
- 3 SECTION 8. There is established a Waiakea peninsula
- 4 redevelopment district planning committee. The committee shall
- 5 be appointed as provided in section 171-D, Hawaii Revised
- 6 Statutes, established by part I of this Act, and shall exercise
- 7 the powers and duties in the designated district as authorized
- 8 by chapter 171, part , Hawaii Revised Statutes, established
- 9 by part I of this Act.
- 10 SECTION 9. There is established the Waiakea peninsula
- 11 redevelopment district revolving fund, into which shall be
- 12 deposited:
- 13 (1) Fifty per cent of the revenues, income, and receipts
- from the public lands in the Waiakea peninsula
- redevelopment district;
- 16 (2) Moneys appropriated by the legislature to the
- 17 revolving fund; and
- 18 (3) Any gifts, grants, and other funds accepted by the
- 19 Waiakea peninsula redevelopment district planning
- 20 committee.

- 1 The moneys in the revolving fund shall be used in the
- 2 Waiakea peninsula redevelopment district for the purposes
- 3 described in chapter 171, part , Hawaii Revised Statutes,
- 4 established by part I of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 10. Upon the repeal of this part, all leases,
- 6 contracts, agreements, permits, or other documents executed or
- 7 entered into, by or on behalf of the Waiakea peninsula
- 8 redevelopment district planning committee shall remain in full
- 9 force and effect and shall be administered by the department of
- 10 land and natural resources.
- 11 SECTION 11. Upon the repeal of this part, all
- 12 appropriations, records, equipment, machines, files, supplies,
- 13 contracts, books, papers, documents, maps, and other personal
- 14 property held by the Waiakea peninsula redevelopment district
- 15 planning committee shall be transferred to the department of
- 16 land and natural resources, and moneys remaining in the Waiakea
- 17 peninsula redevelopment district revolving fund shall be
- 18 transferred to the special land and development fund established
- 19 pursuant to section 171-19, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
- 20 SECTION 12. In codifying the new part added by section 2
- 21 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute

- 1 appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating
- 2 the new sections in this Act.
- 3 SECTION 13. If any provision of this Act, or the
- 4 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held
- 5 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
- 6 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the
- 7 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions
- 8 of this Act are severable.
- 9 SECTION 14. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 11 PART III
- 12 SECTION 15. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2117;
- 13 provided that part II shall be repealed on June 30, 2027.

Report Title:

Public Lands; Redevelopment; Redevelopment Districts; Boundaries; Planning Committees; Powers and Duties; District Redevelopment Plans; Designated Redevelopment District Revolving Funds; Establishment; Lease Restrictions; Appropriations; Waiakea Peninsula Redevelopment District, Planning Committee and Revolving Fund

Description:

Establishes procedures for designating public land redevelopment districts, planning committees, district redevelopment plans, and designated redevelopment district revolving funds. Establishes powers and duties of planning committees. Modifies public land lease restrictions. Appropriates funds. Establishes the Waiakea Peninsula Redevelopment District, Planning Committee, and Revolving Fund until 6/30/2027. Effective 7/1/2117. (SD2)

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