
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 require the office
2 of planning to, among other things, review the Hawaii State
3 Planning Act and report to the legislature its recommendations
4 for updating the Hawaii State Planning Act to appropriately
5 address the needs of the State.

6 SECTION 2. The office of planning shall review the Hawaii
7 state plan as set forth in the Hawaii State Planning Act for the
8 purpose of recommending amendments to update the plan in
9 response to current state needs. Specifically, the office of
10 planning shall:

11 (1) Review and analyze:

12 (A) The formation, evolution, and implementation of
13 the Hawaii State Planning Act;

14 (B) State capital improvement projects as they relate
15 the Hawaii State Planning Act; and

16 (C) Major plans, programs, projects, and regulatory
17 activities proposed by state and county agencies
18 as they relate to the Hawaii State Planning Act;

19 (2) Identify and analyze:



- 1 (A) Conflicts between the Hawaii State Planning Act,
2 county plans, functional plans, and state
3 programs; and
- 4 (B) Existing and emerging issues, problems, and
5 opportunities confronting the State as they
6 relate to the Hawaii State Planning Act;
- 7 (3) Solicit, review, and analyze proposals for amendments
8 to the Hawaii State Planning Act from the general
9 public;
- 10 (4) As appropriate, provide reports, recommendations,
11 strategies, and alternative courses of action to the
12 governor regarding the Hawaii State Planning Act; and
- 13 (5) Report its findings and recommendations, including any
14 proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than
15 thirty days prior to the convening of the regular
16 session of 2021.

17 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
18 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
19 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for
20 reviewing, analyzing, and recommending updates to the Hawaii
21 State Planning Act.



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

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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INTRODUCED BY: *[Signature]*

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