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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds, as declared in the World  
2 Conservation Congress Hawai'i Commitments of 2016, that "[w]e  
3 must undertake profound transformations in how human societies  
4 live on Earth, with particular attention to making our patterns  
5 of production and consumption more sustainable. We must  
6 recognize that human health and wellbeing depend on healthy  
7 ecosystems. We must recognize that every form of life has value  
8 - regardless of its worth to humans." Hawai'i has been a leader  
9 in conservation efforts for decades, through its commitment to  
10 environmental and sustainability policies. In the 1970s, the  
11 State enacted the State Environmental Policy, codified as  
12 chapter 344, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as a mechanism to set  
13 environmental goals. While comprehensive, it lacked measurable  
14 indicators and enforcement means. Our understanding of the  
15 challenges facing our natural environment worldwide have changed  
16 remarkably since the 1970s and the laws enacted in Hawai'i in  
17 recent decades have served as a starlight for other



1 jurisdictions and set a global example on how to adopt policies  
2 on sustainability. More recently, several approaches to  
3 sustainability have emerged in Hawai'i, including the Aloha+  
4 Challenge, the governor's Sustainable Hawai'i Initiative, and  
5 other initiatives inspired by the Mālama Honua Worldwide Voyage  
6 and Mālama Hawai'i.

7 In July of 2014, the State launched the *Aloha+ Challenge:*  
8 *He Nohona 'Ae'oia, A Culture of Sustainability*, a statewide  
9 commitment to sustainability, with the leadership of the  
10 governor, four county mayors, office of Hawaiian affairs,  
11 legislature, and Hawai'i Green Growth public-private partners  
12 across the State. The Aloha+ Challenge builds on Hawai'i's  
13 history of systems thinking, Hawaiian culture and values, and  
14 successful track record on sustainability to outline six  
15 ambitious goals to be achieved by 2030:

- 16 (1) Clean energy: Achieve seventy per cent clean energy,  
17 with forty per cent from renewables and thirty per  
18 cent from efficiency;
- 19 (2) Local food: At least double local food production for  
20 local consumption;



(3) Natural resource management: Reverse the trend of natural resource loss mauka to makai by increasing freshwater security, watershed protection, community-based marine management, invasive species control, and restoration of native species;

(4) Waste reduction: Reduce the solid waste stream prior to disposal by seventy per cent through source reduction, recycling, bioconversion, and landfill diversion methods;

(5) Smart sustainable communities: Increase livability and resilience in the built environment through planning and implementation at the state and county levels; and

(6) Green workforce and education: Increase local green jobs and education to implement these goals.

To increase the efforts of the Aloha+ Challenge, the governor launched the Sustainable Hawai'i Initiative in 2016, which included five goals:

(1) Double local food production by 2020;

(2) Implement Hawai'i's interagency biosecurity plan by 2027;



(3) Protect thirty per cent of the highest priority watersheds by 2030;

(4) Manage thirty per cent of nearshore ocean waters by 2030; and

(5) Achieve one hundred per cent renewable energy in electricity by 2045.

According to the updated Hawai'i 2050 sustainability plan dated June 2021, Act 151, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, extended the goal of doubling local food production from 2020 to 2030.

In May of 2014, Hōkūle'a began a three-year voyage across the world's oceans carrying the message of Mālama Honua - to care for the earth. Building on the legacy of the Polynesian way finders, the Hōkūle'a Worldwide Voyage inspired actions of conservation across the Hawaiian Islands and beyond, resulting in the connection of a lei of aloha around the globe.

At the global level, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, the World Conservation Congress Hawai'i Commitments of 2016, and the Paris Climate Agreement have been adopted to guide global efforts. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), otherwise known as the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, were born at the United Nations Conference on



1 Sustainable Development in Rio de Janeiro in 2012; came into  
2 force in 2015; and are a universal call to action to end  
3 poverty, protect the planet, and ensure that all people enjoy  
4 peace and prosperity. The seventeen SDGs are interconnected and  
5 work in the spirit of partnership and pragmatism to make the  
6 right choices now to improve life, in a sustainable way, for  
7 future generations. They provide a clear framework for action  
8 to guide countries in accordance with their own priorities and  
9 the environmental challenges of the world at large. They tackle  
10 the root causes of poverty and unite us to make a positive  
11 change for both people and planet.

12 Dealing with the threat of climate change impacts how we  
13 manage our fragile natural resources, achieving gender equality  
14 and better health helps eradicate poverty and fostering peace  
15 and inclusive societies will reduce inequalities and help  
16 economies prosper. The SDGs are voluntary commitments to make  
17 the world a better and more prosperous place.

18 During September 2016, over ten thousand leaders from  
19 government, civil society, indigenous communities, faith and  
20 spiritual traditions, the private sector, and academia gathered  
21 in Hawai'i for a meeting of the International Union for



1 Conservation of Nature World Conservation Congress. Delegates  
2 to the Congress adopted the World Conservation Congress Hawai'i  
3 Commitments to achieve the transformation required to promote a  
4 "Culture of Conservation". The Hawai'i Commitments consist of  
5 seven identified challenges and proposed solutions, including:

- 6 (1) Linking spirituality, religion, culture, and  
7 conservation;
- 8 (2) Engaging and empowering youth;
- 9 (3) The challenge of sustaining the global food supply and  
10 conserving nature;
- 11 (4) The challenge of preserving the health of the world  
12 ocean;
- 13 (5) The challenge of ending wildlife trafficking;
- 14 (6) The challenge of engaging with the private sector; and  
15 (7) The challenge of climate change.

16 The Hawai'i Commitments build on the Paris Climate Agreement and  
17 the SDGs to allow different global voices to come together and  
18 find common ground in the spirit of partnership, collaboration,  
19 and sustainability.

20 During 2018, the governor issued Executive Order No. 18-06,  
21 which directed all state agencies to implement practices to



1 assist the State in achieving the United Nations SDGs.  
2 Additionally, four counties have expressed support for the  
3 Sustainable Development Goals. The County of Maui in particular  
4 has adopted Resolution No. 18-18, which states that the County  
5 "supports the Hawaii State Senate's efforts to enact legislation  
6 to attain the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals".

7 In order for Hawai'i to continue to serve as a starlight for  
8 the rest of the world in setting policies on sustainability and  
9 to serve as global leader on issues of conservation and  
10 sustainability, it is essential that the State demonstrate its  
11 full commitment to its own policies and goals as well as the  
12 goals set on the international stage at United Nations  
13 conferences and summits on sustainability. In particular, the  
14 legislature has identified seven of the United Nations SDGs that  
15 are most immediately vital to the State: good health and  
16 well-being; quality education; decent work and economic growth;  
17 sustainable cities and communities; responsible consumption and  
18 production; peace, justice, and strong institutions; and the  
19 formation of partnerships for the sustainable development goals.

20 Therefore, the purpose of this Act is to codify the State's  
21 commitment to conservation, sustainability, and economic



1 development by including the seventeen United Nations SDGs and  
2 indicators, with references to existing state sustainability  
3 programs, in the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

4 SECTION 2. Chapter 226, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
6 and to read as follows:

7 "§226- Sustainable development goals. In pursuance of  
8 the State's sustainability goals, and notwithstanding any law to  
9 the contrary, all agencies shall, insofar as practicable, take  
10 action to assist the State in achieving the following  
11 sustainable development goals and indicators by 2030 unless  
12 otherwise indicated in this section:

13 (1) Goal 1. No poverty. End poverty in all its forms  
14 everywhere.

15 (A) Eradicate extreme poverty for all people in  
16 Hawaii, currently established at a family of four  
17 living on less than \$89 a day;

18 (B) Reduce, at least by half, the number of all  
19 persons in the State living below the federal  
20 poverty level;





1           (C) Implement appropriate social protection systems  
2           and measures for all, including floors, and  
3           achieve substantial social protections of the  
4           poor and the vulnerable;

5           (D) Ensure that all men and women, in particular the  
6           poor and the vulnerable, have equal rights to  
7           economic resources, as well as access to basic  
8           services, ownership and control over property,  
9           inheritance, natural resources, appropriate new  
10          technology, and financial services, including  
11          microfinance; and

12          (E) Build the resilience of the poor and those in  
13          vulnerable situations and reduce their exposure  
14          and vulnerability to climate-related extreme  
15          events and other economic, social, and  
16          environmental shocks and disasters.

17          (2) Goal 2. Zero hunger. End hunger, achieve food  
18          security and improved nutrition, and promote  
19          sustainable agriculture.

20          (A) End hunger and ensure access to safe, nutritious,  
21          and sufficient food all year round to all people



1           in Hawaii, particularly the poor and people in  
2           vulnerable situations, including infants;

3        (B) End all forms of malnutrition, including  
4           achieving, by 2025, the internationally agreed  
5           targets on stunting and wasting in children under  
6           five years of age, and address the nutritional  
7           needs of adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating  
8           women, and older persons;

9        (C) Double local food production by 2030 and double  
10           the agricultural productivity and incomes of  
11           small-scale food producers, in particular women,  
12           native Hawaiians, family farmers, pastoralists,  
13           and fishers, by actions including the secure and  
14           equal access to land, other productive resources  
15           and inputs, knowledge, financial services,  
16           markets and opportunities for value addition and  
17           non-farm employment;

18        (D) Increase seafood security throughout Hawaiian  
19           waters through an improved understanding of  
20           current capacity, active fishpond restoration,  
21           restoration of nearshore fish populations, and



1 improvement in sustainable production,  
2 distribution, and consumption practices;

3 (E) Ensure sustainable food production systems and  
4 implement resilient agricultural practices that  
5 increase productivity and production; help  
6 maintain ecosystems; strengthen capacity for  
7 adaptation to climate change, extreme weather,  
8 drought, flooding and other disasters; and  
9 progressively improve land and soil quality;

10 (F) By 2022, maintain the genetic diversity of seeds,  
11 cultivated plants, and farmed and domesticated  
12 animals and their related wild species, including  
13 through soundly managed and diversified seed and  
14 plant banks at the state and local levels, and  
15 promote access to and fair and equitable sharing  
16 of benefits arising from the utilization of  
17 genetic resources and associated traditional  
18 knowledge, as internationally agreed;

19 (G) Increase investment in rural infrastructure,  
20 agricultural research and extension services,



1           technology development, and plant and livestock  
2           gene banks; and

3           (H) Adopt measures to ensure the proper functioning  
4           of food commodity markets and their derivatives  
5           and facilitate timely access to market  
6           information, including on food reserves, in order  
7           to help limit extreme food price volatility.

8           (3) Goal 3. Good health and well-being. Ensure healthy  
9           lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.

10          (A) Ensure the state maternal mortality ratio of less  
11          than ten per one hundred thousand live births;

12          (B) End preventable deaths of newborns and children  
13          under five years of age, with all counties aiming  
14          to ensure that the neonatal mortality rate is at  
15          least as low as four per one thousand live births  
16          and the under-five mortality rate is at least as  
17          low as six per one thousand live births;

18          (C) End the epidemics of human immunodeficiency virus  
19          (HIV), acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS),  
20          tuberculosis, and neglected tropical diseases;  
21          and combat hepatitis, mumps, rat lung worm



1                   disease, dengue fever, water-borne diseases, and  
2                   other communicable diseases;

3           (D) Reduce by one-third premature mortality from non-  
4           communicable diseases through prevention and  
5           treatment and promote mental health and well-  
6           being;

7           (E) Strengthen the prevention and treatment of  
8           substance abuse, including narcotic drug and  
9           alcohol abuse;

10          (F) Halve the number of fatalities and injuries from  
11          road traffic accidents within the State;

12          (G) Ensure universal access to sexual and  
13          reproductive health care services, including  
14          family planning, information and education, and  
15          the integration of reproductive health into state  
16          programs;

17          (H) Achieve universal health coverage, including  
18          financial risk protection; access to quality  
19          essential health care services; and access to  
20          safe, effective, quality, and affordable



1           essential medicines and vaccines for all people  
2           in Hawaii;

3           (I) Substantially reduce the number of deaths and  
4           illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air,  
5           water, and soil pollution and contamination;

6           (J) Substantially reduce tobacco use within the  
7           State;

8           (K) Substantially increase health financing and the  
9           recruitment, development, training, and retention  
10          of the health workforce in the State,  
11          particularly in rural areas; and

12          (L) Strengthen the capacity of all counties for early  
13          warning, risk reduction, and management of  
14          national and global health risks.

15          (4) Goal 4. Quality education. Ensure inclusive and  
16          equitable quality education and promote lifelong  
17          learning opportunities for all.

18          (A) Ensure that all children complete and have access  
19          to equitable and quality primary and secondary  
20          education leading to relevant and effective  
21          learning outcomes;



- 1           (B) Ensure that all children have access to quality  
2           early childhood development, care, and pre-school  
3           education to prepare them for primary education;
- 4           (C) Ensure equal access for all persons to affordable  
5           and quality technical, vocational, and tertiary  
6           education, including university;
- 7           (D) Substantially increase the number of people who  
8           have relevant skills, including technical and  
9           vocational skills, for employment and for  
10          entrepreneurship, and develop young leaders for  
11          careers in the conservation and natural resource  
12          management fields in Hawaii through internships,  
13          fellowships, training, and networking  
14          opportunities;
- 15          (E) Engage and empower youth to connect with nature,  
16          take action to support conservation, and work for  
17          the planet, pursuant to the World Conservation  
18          Congress Hawaii Commitments of 2016, and ensure  
19          that all learners acquire the knowledge and  
20          skills needed to promote sustainable development,  
21          sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender



1 equality, promotion of a culture of peace and  
2 non-violence, global citizenship, and  
3 appreciation of cultural diversity and of  
4 culture's contribution to sustainable  
5 development;

6 (F) Advance environmental and cultural literacy via  
7 broad-based partnerships for grassroots capacity  
8 building;

9 (G) Eliminate gender disparities in education and  
10 ensure equal access to all levels of education  
11 and vocational training for the vulnerable,  
12 including persons with disabilities, native  
13 Hawaiians, and children in vulnerable situations;

14 (H) Substantially increase the literacy rate of all  
15 persons in the State;

16 (I) Build and upgrade education facilities that are  
17 child, disability, and gender sensitive and  
18 provide safe, non-violent, inclusive, and  
19 effective learning environments for all;

20 (J) Substantially expand the number of scholarships  
21 available statewide for enrollment in higher





1           education, including vocational training,  
2           information and communications technology, and  
3           technical, engineering, and scientific programs;  
4           and

5           (K) Substantially increase the supply of qualified  
6           teachers.

7           (5) Goal 5. Gender equality. Achieve gender equality and  
8           empower all women and girls.

9           (A) End all forms of discrimination against all women  
10           and girls in Hawaii;

11           (B) Eliminate all forms of violence against all women  
12           and girls in the public and private spheres,  
13           including trafficking and sexual and other types  
14           of exploitation;

15           (C) Eliminate all harmful practices against woman,  
16           such as child and forced marriages and female  
17           genital mutilation;

18           (D) Recognize and value unpaid care and domestic work  
19           through the provision of public services,  
20           infrastructure, and social protection policies



1           and the promotion of shared responsibility within  
2           the household and the family;

3           (E) Ensure women's full and effective participation  
4           and equal opportunities for leadership at all  
5           levels of decision-making in political, economic,  
6           and public life; and

7           (F) Ensure universal access to sexual and  
8           reproductive health and reproductive rights.

9           (6) Goal 6. Clean water and sanitation. Ensure  
10           availability and sustainable management of water and  
11           sanitation for all.

12           (A) Achieve universal and equitable access to safe  
13           and affordable drinking water for all;

14           (B) Achieve access to adequate and equitable  
15           sanitation and hygiene for all;

16           (C) Improve water quality by reducing pollution,  
17           eliminating dumping and minimizing release of  
18           hazardous chemicals and materials, reducing the  
19           proportion of untreated wastewater, and  
20           substantially increasing recycling and safe reuse  
21           statewide;



1           (D) Substantially increase water-use efficiency  
2           across all sectors and ensure sustainable  
3           withdrawals and supply of freshwater to address  
4           water scarcity;

5           (E) Implement integrated water resources management  
6           at all levels in line with the goals of the  
7           sustainable Hawaii initiative, Aloha+ Challenge,  
8           and World Conservation Congress Hawaii  
9           Commitments of 2016;

10          (F) Protect thirty per cent of priority watersheds,  
11          pursuant to the sustainable Hawaii initiative,  
12          and restore water-related ecosystems, including  
13          watersheds, mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers,  
14          aquifers, and lakes;

15          (G) Expand statewide cooperation and capacity-  
16          building support to the counties in water- and  
17          sanitation-related activities and programs,  
18          including water harvesting, desalination, water  
19          efficiency, wastewater treatment, and recycling  
20          and reuse technologies; and



1           (H) Support and strengthen the participation of local  
2           communities in improving water and sanitation  
3           management.

4       (7) Goal 7. Affordable and clean energy. Ensure access  
5       to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern  
6       energy for all.

7           (A) Ensure universal access to affordable, reliable,  
8           and modern energy services;

9           (B) Achieve seventy per cent clean energy, with forty  
10          per cent from renewable energy sources and thirty  
11          per cent from efficiency, pursuant to the goals  
12          of the Aloha+ Challenge;

13          (C) Achieve one hundred per cent renewable energy in  
14          electricity by 2045, pursuant to the goals of the  
15          sustainable Hawaii initiative;

16          (D) Enhance statewide cooperation to facilitate  
17          access to clean energy research and technology,  
18          including renewable energy, energy efficiency,  
19          and advanced and cleaner fossil-fuel technology,  
20          and promote investment in energy infrastructure  
21          and clean energy technology; and



1           (E) Expand infrastructure and upgrade technology for  
2           supplying modern and sustainable energy services  
3           for all.

4       (8) Goal 8. Decent work and economic growth. Promote  
5       sustained, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth;  
6       full and productive employment; and work for all.

7       (A) Sustain per capita economic growth in accordance  
8       with national circumstances and at least one per  
9       cent gross domestic product growth per annum;

10       (B) Achieve higher levels of economic productivity  
11       through diversification, technological upgrading,  
12       and innovation, including through a focus on  
13       high-value added and labor-intensive sectors;

14       (C) Promote development-oriented policies that  
15       support productive activities, job creation in  
16       high paying sectors, entrepreneurship,  
17       creativity, and innovation, and encourage the  
18       formalization and growth of green jobs and  
19       enterprises, including through access to  
20       financial services;



- 1           (D) Improve progressively state resource efficiency  
2           in consumption and production and endeavor to  
3           decouple economic growth from environmental  
4           degradation in line with the goals of the World  
5           Conservation Congress Hawaii Commitments of 2016;  
6           (E) Achieve full and productive employment for all  
7           women and men, including for young people and  
8           persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work  
9           of equal value;  
10          (F) Substantially reduce the proportion of youth who  
11          are not employed and increase the proportion of  
12          youth who are receiving an education or enrolled  
13          in a job or skill training program;  
14          (G) Take immediate and effective measures to  
15          eradicate forced labor, end modern slavery and  
16          human trafficking, and secure the prohibition and  
17          elimination of child labor;  
18          (H) Protect labor rights and promote safe and secure  
19          working environments for all workers, including  
20          migrant workers, in particular women migrants,  
21          and those in precarious employment;



1        (I) Devise and implement policies to promote  
2                    sustainable tourism that creates jobs and  
3                    promotes local culture and products; and

4        (J) Strengthen the capacity of domestic financial  
5                    institutions to encourage and expand access to  
6                    banking, insurance, and financial services for  
7                    all.

8        (9) Goal 9. Industry, innovation, and infrastructure.  
9                    Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and  
10                   sustainable industrialization, and foster innovation.

11       (A) Develop quality, reliable, sustainable, and  
12                   resilient infrastructure to support economic  
13                   development and human well-being, with a focus on  
14                   affordable and equitable access for all;

15       (B) Promote inclusive and sustainable  
16                   industrialization and significantly raise  
17                   industry's share of employment and gross domestic  
18                   product;

19       (C) Increase the access of small-scale industrial and  
20                   other enterprises to financial services,



1 including affordable credit, and their  
2 integration into value chains and markets;

3 (D) Upgrade and develop infrastructure and retrofit  
4 industries to make them sustainable, with  
5 increased resource-use efficiency and greater  
6 adoption of clean and environmentally sound  
7 technologies and industrial processes;

8 (E) Enhance scientific research, upgrade the  
9 technological capabilities of industrial sectors  
10 statewide, including encouraging innovation and  
11 substantially increasing the number of research  
12 and development workers, and public and private  
13 research and development spending;

14 (F) Support local technology development, research,  
15 and innovation, including by ensuring a conducive  
16 policy environment for industrial diversification  
17 and value addition to commodities; and

18 (G) Significantly increase access to information and  
19 communications technology and strive to provide  
20 universal and affordable access to the Internet.

21 (10) Goal 10. Reduced inequalities.





1           (A) Progressively achieve and sustain income growth  
2           of the bottom forty per cent of the population at  
3           a rate higher than the national average;

4           (B) Empower and promote the social, economic, and  
5           political inclusion of all, irrespective of age,  
6           sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin,  
7           religion, or economic or other status;

8           (C) Ensure equal opportunity and reduce inequalities  
9           of outcome, including by eliminating  
10           discriminatory laws, policies, and practices and  
11           promoting appropriate legislation, policies, and  
12           action in this regard;

13           (D) Adopt policies, especially fiscal, wage, and  
14           social protection policies, and progressively  
15           achieve greater equality; and

16           (E) Facilitate orderly, safe, regular, and  
17           responsible migration and mobility of people,  
18           including through the implementation of planned  
19           and well-managed migration policies.



1        (11) Goal 11. Sustainable cities and communities. Make  
2        cities and communities inclusive, safe, resilient, and  
3        sustainable.

4        (A) Ensure access for all to adequate, safe, and  
5        affordable housing and basic services;

6        (B) Provide access to safe, affordable, accessible,  
7        and sustainable transport systems for all, and  
8        improving road safety, notably by expanding  
9        public transport, with special attention to the  
10       needs of those in vulnerable situations, women,  
11       children, persons with disabilities, and older  
12       persons;

13       (C) Increase livability and resilience in the built  
14       environment through planning and implementation  
15       at the state and county levels, pursuant to the  
16       goals of the Aloha+ Challenge;

17       (D) Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard  
18       Hawaii's cultural and natural heritage by linking  
19       spirituality, religion, culture, and conservation  
20       to cultivate a culture of conservation, pursuant



1                   to the World Conservation Congress Hawaii

2                   Commitments of 2016;

3           (E) Significantly reduce the number of deaths and the  
4           number of people affected and substantially  
5           decrease the direct economic losses caused by  
6           disasters with a focus on protecting the poor and  
7           people in vulnerable situations;

8           (F) Reduce the adverse per capita environmental  
9           impact of cities, including by giving heightened  
10          attention to air quality and municipal and other  
11          waste management in line with the goals of the  
12          World Conservation Congress Hawaii Commitments of  
13          2016;

14          (G) Provide universal access to safe, inclusive, and  
15          accessible, green and public spaces, in  
16          particular for women and children, older persons,  
17          and persons with disabilities;

18          (H) Support positive economic, social, and  
19          environmental links between urban and rural areas  
20          by strengthening development planning consistent  
21          with the goals of the sustainable Hawaii



1           initiative, Aloha+ Challenge, and World  
2           Conservation Congress Hawaii Commitments of 2016;  
3           and

4       (I)   Substantially increase the number of cities and  
5           towns adopting and implementing integrated  
6           policies and plans toward inclusion, resource  
7           efficiency, mitigation and adaptation to climate  
8           change, resilience to disasters, and develop and  
9           implement holistic disaster risk management at  
10          all levels.

11       (12) Goal 12. Responsible consumption and production.  
12           Ensure sustainable consumption and production  
13           patterns.

14       (A)   Achieve the sustainable management and efficient  
15           use of natural resources;

16       (B)   Reverse the trend of natural resource loss mauka  
17           to makai by increasing freshwater security,  
18           watershed protection, community-based marine  
19           management, invasive species control, and  
20           restoration of native species as established by  
21           the goals of the Aloha+ Challenge;



1           (C) Conduct management-driven, comprehensive resource  
2           baseline assessments around every island in  
3           Hawaii;

4           (D) Increase food security by improving the cost  
5           efficiency of food production, reducing food loss  
6           in the distribution chain, decreasing the waste  
7           of food, changing food consumption preferences,  
8           and ensuring that water resources are managed  
9           sustainably, pursuant to the World Conservation  
10          Congress Hawaii Commitments of 2016;

11          (E) Reduce by fifty per cent the per capita statewide  
12          food waste at the retail and consumer levels and  
13          reduce food losses along production and supply  
14          chains, including post-harvest losses;

15          (F) Achieve the environmentally sound management of  
16          chemicals and all wastes throughout their life  
17          cycle and significantly reduce their release to  
18          air, water, and soil in order to minimize their  
19          adverse impacts on human health and the  
20          environment;



1           (G) Reduce the solid waste stream prior to disposal  
2           by seventy per cent through source reduction,  
3           recycling, bioconversion, and landfill diversion  
4           methods, pursuant to the goals of the Aloha+  
5           Challenge;

6           (H) Encourage companies to adopt sustainable  
7           practices and to integrate sustainability  
8           information into their reporting cycle;

9           (I) Promote sustainable public procurement practices;

10          (J) Ensure that all persons have the relevant  
11          information and awareness for sustainable  
12          development and lifestyles in harmony with  
13          nature; and

14          (K) Develop and implement tools to monitor  
15          sustainable development impacts for sustainable  
16          tourism that creates jobs and promotes local  
17          culture and products.

18          (13) Goal 13. Climate action. Take urgent action to  
19          combat climate change and its impacts.

20          (A) Strengthen resilience and adaptive capacity to  
21          climate-related hazards and natural disasters



1           statewide in line with the Paris Climate  
2           Agreement and the World Conservation Congress  
3           Hawaii Commitments of 2016;

4           (B) Integrate climate change measures into state  
5           policies, strategies, and planning; and

6           (C) Improve education, raise awareness, and increase  
7           human and institutional capacity on climate  
8           change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction,  
9           and early warning, pursuant to the goals of the  
10          Aloha+ Challenge.

11          (14) Goal 14. Life below water. Conserve and sustainably  
12          use the oceans, seas, and marine resources for  
13          sustainable development.

14          (A) Prevent and significantly reduce marine pollution  
15          of all kinds, in particular from land-based  
16          activities, including plastics, marine debris,  
17          and nutrient pollution;

18          (B) Sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal  
19          ecosystems to avoid significant adverse impacts  
20          and take action for their restoration through on-



1           the-ground efforts via public-private, community-  
2           based partnerships in order to:

3           (i) Improve ocean-related enforcement by  
4           enhancing state capacity to create more  
5           effective and streamlined adjudication  
6           processes;

7           (ii) Increase the amount of sufficiently and  
8           effectively managed nearshore waters  
9           throughout the State to allow for healthy  
10          fisheries and habitats;

11          (iii) Increase the amount of communities that are  
12          formally and actively managing marine  
13          resources statewide;

14          (iv) Secure appropriate levels of support for  
15          agencies for critical natural resource  
16          initiatives, and devise and implement a  
17          means by which to manage resources statewide  
18          that enables increased funding to the State  
19          for improved fisher data, stock assessments,  
20          enforcement, and ocean user education; and





1           (v) Incorporate climate adaptation measures into  
2           the majority of county planning and  
3           permitting processes;

4       (C) Effectively manage thirty per cent of nearshore  
5       ocean water, pursuant to the goals of the  
6       sustainable Hawaii initiative, and remove or  
7       prevent threat material, including sediment,  
8       invasive species, and marine debris, from  
9       entering nearshore marine habitats;

10      (D) By 2022, effectively regulate harvesting, end  
11      overfishing, illegal, unreported, unregulated,  
12      and destructive fishing practices; and implement  
13      science-based management plans, in order to  
14      restore fish stocks in the shortest time  
15      feasible, at least to levels that can produce  
16      maximum sustainable yield as determined by their  
17      biological characteristics;

18      (E) By 2022, prohibit certain forms of fisheries  
19      subsidies that contribute to overcapacity and  
20      overfishing; eliminate subsidies that contribute



1           to illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing;  
2           and refrain from introducing new such subsidies;

3       (F) Minimize and address the impacts of ocean  
4           acidification, including through enhanced  
5           scientific cooperation at all levels;

6       (G) Conserve at least thirty per cent of coastal and  
7           marine areas, consistent with state, national,  
8           and international law and based on the best  
9           available scientific information;

10      (H) Increase scientific knowledge, develop research  
11           capacity, and transfer marine technology to  
12           improve ocean health and to enhance the  
13           contribution of marine biodiversity; and

14      (I) Provide access for small-scale artisanal fishers  
15           to marine resources and markets.

16      (15) Goal 15. Life on land. Protect, restore, and promote  
17           sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems; sustainably  
18           manage forests; combat desertification; and halt and  
19           reverse land degradation and biodiversity loss.



- 1           (A) Ensure the conservation, restoration, and  
2           sustainable use of terrestrial and inland  
3           freshwater ecosystems and their uses;
- 4           (B) Promote the implementation of sustainable  
5           management of all types of forests, halt  
6           deforestation, restore degraded forests, and  
7           substantially increase afforestation and  
8           reforestation statewide;
- 9           (C) Combat desertification; restore degraded land and  
10          soil, including land affected by desertification,  
11          drought, and floods; and strive to achieve  
12          neutrality of land-degradation worldwide;
- 13          (D) Ensure the conservation of mountain ecosystems,  
14          including their biodiversity, in order to enhance  
15          their capacity to provide benefits that are  
16          essential for sustainable development;
- 17          (E) Promote fair and equitable sharing of the  
18          benefits arising from the utilization of genetic  
19          resources and promote appropriate access to such  
20          resources;



1           (F) Take urgent and significant action to reduce the  
2           degradation of natural habitats, halt the loss of  
3           biodiversity, and protect and prevent the  
4           extinction of threatened species, pursuant to the  
5           World Conservation Congress Hawaii Commitments of  
6           2016;

7           (G) Take urgent action to end poaching and  
8           trafficking of protected species of flora and  
9           fauna and address the demand and supply of  
10          illegal wildlife products;

11          (H) Implement Hawaii's interagency biosecurity plan  
12          by 2027, pursuant to the goals of the sustainable  
13          Hawaii initiative;

14          (I) Integrate ecosystem and biodiversity values into  
15          state and local planning, development processes,  
16          poverty reduction strategies, and accounts; and

17          (J) Mobilize significant resources from all sources  
18          and at all levels to finance sustainable forest  
19          management and provide adequate incentives to  
20          advance conservation and reforestation.



1        (16) Goal 16. Peace, justice, and strong institutions.

2        Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for  
3        sustainable development, provide access to justice for  
4        all, and build effective, accountable, and inclusive  
5        institutions at all levels.

6        (A) Significantly reduce all forms of violence and  
7        related death rates statewide;

8        (B) End abuse, exploitation, trafficking, and all  
9        forms of violence and torture against  
10       individuals;

11       (C) Enforce the rule of law at all levels and ensure  
12       equal access to justice for all;

13       (D) Significantly reduce illicit financial and arms  
14       flows, strengthen the recovery and return of  
15       stolen assets, and combat all forms of organized  
16       crime;

17       (E) Substantially reduce corruption and bribery in  
18       all their forms;

19       (F) Develop effective, accountable, and transparent  
20       institutions at all levels;



1           (G) Ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory, and  
2           representative decision-making at all levels;

3           (H) Broaden and strengthen the participation of  
4           citizens in the institutions of state and local  
5           governance;

6           (I) Ensure public access to information and protect  
7           fundamental freedoms; and

8           (J) Strengthen relevant state institutions to prevent  
9           violence and combat terrorism and crime.

10          (17) Goal 17. Partnerships for the goals. Strengthen the  
11          means of implementation.

12          (A) Encourage and promote effective public, public-  
13          private, and civil society partnerships, building  
14          on the experience and resourcing strategies of  
15          partnerships;

16          (B) Mobilize additional financial resources from  
17          multiple sources;

18          (C) Significantly increase investment in conservation  
19          action from both public and private sector  
20          sources, consistent with the World Conservation  
21          Congress Hawaii Commitments of 2016;



1        (D) Enhance cooperation regarding access to science,  
2        technology, and innovation; and enhance  
3        knowledge-sharing on mutually agreed terms;

4        (E) Promote the development, transfer, dissemination,  
5        and diffusion of environmentally sound  
6        technologies;

7        (F) Strengthen domestic resource mobilization to  
8        improve domestic capacity for tax and other  
9        revenue collection;

10       (G) Enhance macroeconomic stability statewide,  
11       including through policy coordination and policy  
12       coherence;

13       (H) Enhance policy coherence for sustainable  
14       development;

15       (I) Respect each agency's policy jurisdiction and  
16       leadership to establish and implement policies  
17       for poverty eradication and sustainable  
18       development;

19       (J) Enhance capacity-building support to  
20       significantly increase the availability of high-  
21       quality, timely, and reliable data disaggregated



1                    by income, gender, age, race, ethnicity,  
2                    migratory status, disability, geographic  
3                    location, and other relevant characteristics; and

4                    (K) Build on existing initiatives to develop  
5                    measurements of progress on sustainable  
6                    development with regard to gross domestic  
7                    product."

8                    SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

9                    SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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