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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.

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

1       SECTION 1. The departments and agencies listed in section  
2 of this Act shall provide grants to federal tax-exempt  
3 nonprofit organizations that have previously received government  
4 assistance to support their organizational mission and also  
5 possess at least twenty years of providing assistance and  
6 support to Native Hawaiian communities.

7       The grants shall be tailored toward improving Native  
8 Hawaiian communities and culture through various assistance  
9 programs, including but not limited to programs that offer food  
10 sustainability; development of renewable infrastructure; Native  
11 Hawaiian historic preservation; development of a mill to process  
12 ulu and taro; business training, entrepreneurship, and  
13 mentoring; farming; education; cultural training; and  
14 environmental management.

15       The grants shall be awarded in conformance with the  
16 standards in section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes.



1       SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$               or so  
3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to be  
4 allocated to the following departments and agencies and used for  
5 grants pursuant to section 1 of this Act for the following  
6 programs:

7       (1) The department of agriculture:

8           (A) The sum of \$               ; provided that the sum  
9               shall be used to expand infrastructure, increase  
10              food production, and develop the economic  
11              stability of loko i'a statewide through hatchery  
12              and solar power programs;

13          (B) The sum of \$               ; provided that the sum  
14               shall be used for a statewide kalo farming needs  
15               assessment; and

16          (C) The sum of \$               ; provided that the sum  
17               shall be used for the development of a mill to  
18               process ulu and taro;

19       (2) The department of business, economic development, and  
20       tourism:



1 (A) The sum of \$ ; provided that the sum  
2 shall be used for the Pop-up Makeke virtual  
3 marketplace that supports local artisans and  
4 businesses to adapt to e-commerce;

5 (B) The sum of \$ ; provided that the sum  
6 shall be used for a West Oahu innovation center  
7 that is a physical co-working space and an  
8 entrepreneur and resource center that provides  
9 workshops, counseling, loan assistance, and  
10 broadband access;

11 (C) The sum of \$ ; provided that the sum  
12 shall be used for culture training programs with  
13 military personnel, small businesses, and  
14 nonprofit organizations; and

15 (D) The sum of \$ ; provided that the sum  
16 shall be used for community-based tourism  
17 management, including tourism impacts on the  
18 natural and cultural resources of local  
19 communities;

20 (3) The department of labor and industrial relations the  
21 sum of \$ ; provided that the sum shall be



1 used for staffing, cohorts, and software needs of the  
2 Hawaiian Trades Academy and Kuhana Business  
3 Development Program that prepares individuals and  
4 businesses for economic success and self-sufficiency;  
5 and

6 (4) The department of land and natural resources:

7 (A) The sum of \$ ; provided that the sum  
8 shall be used for the repatriation and reburials  
9 of Native Hawaiians nationally and  
10 internationally; and

11 (B) The sum of \$ ; provided that the sum  
12 shall be used for Iolani Palace operations,  
13 maintenance, and repairs.

14 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
15 or agency listed above for the purposes of this Act.

16 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.



**Report Title:**

Grants; Native Hawaiian Communities; Appropriation

**Description:**

Requires certain departments and agencies to provide grants to tax-exempt nonprofit organizations that have experience and expertise in supporting and advancing Native Hawaiian communities. (HD2)

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