
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII THEATRE CENTER.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hawaii Theatre
2 Center is the second largest proscenium performance facility in
3 the State and is the only remaining theatre of its type in
4 Hawaii. Established in 1922, the Hawaii Theatre Center has
5 operated as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization since 1984.

6 The legislature also finds that the Hawaii Theatre Center,
7 listed on both the Hawaii and national registers of historic
8 places, has been recognized nationally for its historic,
9 architectural, and community significance. In 2005, the Hawaii
10 Theatre Center was recognized as the 2005 Outstanding Historic
11 Theatre in America by the League of Historic American Theaters.
12 The Hawaii Theatre Center was awarded the 2006 National
13 Preservation Honor Award by the National Trust for Historic
14 Preservation.

15 The legislature recognizes that, throughout its many years
16 of service, the Hawaii Theatre Center has established critical
17 areas of expertise and provides significant intangible benefits



1 to Hawaii and its people by offering the community an historic
2 performing arts facility with exceptional technical capacity.

3 The legislature further finds that the Hawaii Theatre
4 Center has served the community for nearly a century as Hawaii's
5 theatre without the benefit of regular, predictable support from
6 state sources to assist in the preservation of its irreplaceable
7 facility, staff its programs, and plan and present its events
8 and educational programs.

9 The purpose of this Act is to:

- 10 (1) Require the department of accounting and general
11 services to submit a report detailing its plans to
12 acquire the Hawaii Theatre Center; and
13 (2) If the department of accounting and general services
14 acquires the Hawaii Theatre Center, designate the
15 Hawaii Theatre Center as the Hawaii State Theatre on
16 January 1, 2025.

17 SECTION 2. The department of accounting and general
18 services shall submit a report to the legislature, no later than
19 December 31, 2023, detailing its plans to acquire the Hawaii
20 Theatre Center for the purposes of designating it as the Hawaii
21 State Theatre and for other mixed use purposes.



1 SECTION 3. If the department of accounting and general
2 services acquires the Hawaii Theatre Center, the Hawaii Theatre
3 Center shall be designated as the Hawaii State Theatre on
4 January 1, 2025.

5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 3000.



Report Title:

Hawaii Theatre Center; Hawaii State Theatre; Acquisition

Description:

Designates the Hawaii Theatre Center as the Hawaii State Theatre on 1/1/2025, contingent upon the department of accounting and general services' acquisition of Hawaii State Theatre. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

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