THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII S.B. NO. ¹³⁵⁴ S.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEWS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that section 6E-8, Hawaii 2 Revised Statutes, plays an important role in the protection and 3 management of the State's historic properties and burial sites. 4 Section 6E-8(b) requires the department of Hawaiian home lands, 5 prior to any proposed project relating to lands under its 6 jurisdiction, to consult with the department of land and natural resources regarding the effect of the project upon historic 7 8 property or a burial site. The purpose of this Act is to allow 9 the department of Hawaiian home lands to assume review of the effect of any proposed project on historic properties or burial 10 11 sites for lands under its jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. Section 6E-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, isamended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

14 "(b) [The] Notwithstanding subsection (a), the department 15 of Hawaiian home lands [, prior to] may assume review of any 16 proposed project relating to lands under its jurisdiction[, 17 shall consult with the department regarding the effect of the

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1	project u	pon historic property or a burial site.] pursuant to
2	this sect	ion, and pursuant to any administrative rule adopted
3	thereunde	r; provided that the department of Hawaiian home lands
4	shall:	
5	(1)	Designate the review to a Hawaiian home lands
6		preservation officer who has professional competence
7		and experience in the field of historic preservation
8		and has adequate resources to perform the historic
9		review;
10	(2)	Ensure that copies of all reports, maps, and
11		documents, including those reflecting the Hawaiian
12		home lands preservation official's comments,
13		recommendations, and decisions, are provided to the
14		department to be incorporated into the historic
15		preservation digital document management system and
16		library;
17	(3)	Provide the department with written notice of the
18		following:
19		(A) That it has employed a qualified preservation
20		officer;

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1		(B) A description of the procedures that will be
2		employed to ensure that all of the documentation
3		described in paragraph (2) will be provided to
4		the department;
5	(4)	The date on which the department of Hawaiian home
6		lands will assume responsibility for project review
7		under this section at least forty-five days prior to
8		the date when the department of Hawaiian home lands
9		shall assume those duties; provided that this
10		information shall also be posted on the department of
11		Hawaiian home lands' website; and
12	(5)	Consult with the office of Hawaiian affairs when
13		reviewing historic properties that are important to
14		Native Hawaiians.
15	The depar	tment shall retain authority for review under this
16	section f	or projects affecting properties listed or nominated
17	for inclu	sion in the Hawaii register of historic places or the
18	national	register of historic places or located in a designated
19	historic	district."
20	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed

21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Historic Preservation; Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; Project Reviews of Proposed State Projects

Description:

Allows the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to assume historic preservation review of the effect of any proposed project for lands under its jurisdiction except for projects affecting properties listed or nominated for inclusion in the Hawaii register of historic places or the national register of historic places or located in a designated historic district. (SD1)

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