## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 205, Session
- 2 Laws of Hawaii 2022, provided funds to the department of
- 3 Hawaiian home lands to begin an investigation, exploration, and
- 4 identification of geothermal resources on Hawaiian home lands to
- 5 be used for the generation, transmission, or production of
- 6 electricity and renewable energy resources. Geothermal
- 7 resources can provide stable power, community benefits, and an
- 8 alternative to biofuels. The legislature further finds that the
- 9 department of Hawaiian home lands requires more funding to allow
- 10 the department to drill slim holes at certain sites on Hawaiian
- 11 home lands, develop water wells, collect geophysical data, and
- 12 hire consultants to help the department navigate the intricacies
- 13 of geothermal development.
- 14 The purpose of this Act is to provide follow-up funding for
- 15 the next steps in the investigation, exploration, and
- 16 identification of geothermal resources on Hawaiian home lands.

- 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 2025-2026 to
- 4 fund water well development for geophysical investigation,
- 5 exploration, and identification of geothermal resources on
- 6 Hawaiian home lands.
- 7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 8 Hawaiian home lands for the purposes of this Act.
- 9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.

H.B. NO. 1307

## Report Title:

DHHL; Hawaiian Home Lands; Geothermal Resources; Appropriation

## Description:

Appropriates funds to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands for water well development for geophysical investigation, exploration, and identification of geothermal resources on Hawaiian home lands. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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