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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO GOVERNMENT PROCEDURES.

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

1       SECTION 1. (a) There shall be established within the  
2 house of representatives the intergovernmental task force for  
3 permit simplification to identify actions taken, challenges  
4 encountered, and legislative measures necessary to facilitate,  
5 expedite, and coordinate state and intergovernmental development  
6 permit processes.

7       (b) The speaker of the house of representatives shall  
8 appoint one member of the house of representatives to serve as  
9 chairperson of the task force.

10       (c) The membership of the task force shall include  
11 representatives of the following bodies, to be designated by the  
12 body's head or, in the case of a board or commission, by the  
13 chairperson:

14       (1) The office of the governor;

15       (2) The Hawaii state senate;

16       (3) The department of business, economic development, and  
17 tourism;



- 1           (4)   The commission on water resource management of the  
2           department of land and natural resources;  
3           (5)   The Hawaii community development authority;  
4           (6)   The Hawaii housing finance and development  
5           corporation;  
6           (7)   The land use commission;  
7           (8)   The office of planning and sustainable development;  
8           (9)   The Hawaii state energy office;  
9           (10)   The public utilities commission;  
10          (11)   The small business regulatory review board;  
11          (12)   The state historic preservation division of the  
12          department of land and natural resources; and  
13          (13)   The wastewater branch of the department of health.  
14          (d)   The task force shall invite representatives from the  
15 following offices to participate in the task force:  
16          (1)   Each of the offices of the State's congressional  
17          delegation; and  
18          (2)   Each of the county planning and permitting  
19          departments.  
20          (e)   Representatives shall be designated no later than  
21 August 1, 2025.



1 (f) The task force shall hold its first meeting no later  
2 than sixty days after the finalization of its members or  
3 October 1, 2025, whichever is earlier.

4 (g) The members of the task force shall serve without  
5 compensation for their service on the task force.

6 (h) The task force shall cease to exist on June 30, 2027.

7 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
8 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
9 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and  
10 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
11 year 2026-2027 for the staffing and administrative costs of the  
12 intergovernmental task force for permit simplification.

13 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the house of  
14 representatives for the purposes of this Act.

15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;  
16 provided that section 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2025.



**Report Title:**

Government Procedures; Permitting Process; Intergovernmental Task Force for Permit Simplification; Appropriations

**Description:**

Establishes the Intergovernmental Task Force for Permit Simplification to identify actions taken, challenges encountered, and legislative measures necessary to facilitate, expedite, and coordinate state and intergovernmental development permit processes. Appropriates funds. (SD1)

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