

A Bill for an Act Relating to Increasing Development Flexibility of Public Lands.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii's airports division's leasing and development procedures are cumbersome and inflexible. This situation has resulted in inefficiencies when the airports division of the department of transportation desires to expeditiously develop its lands and facilities. The legislature further finds that the economic well-being of the State depends in part on the efficient use of all of its resources and that fuller utilization of its resources will enhance and complement efforts to revitalize Hawaii's economy.

The purpose of this Act is to provide the airports division of the department of transportation with sufficient flexibility to develop lands and facilities, subject to the approval of the board of land and natural resources, without sacrificing health, safety, environmental, and shoreline management requirements.

SECTION 2. Section 171-59, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

“(b) Disposition of public lands for airline, aircraft, airport related, agricultural processing, cattle feed production, aquaculture, marine, and maritime operations may be negotiated without regard to the limitations set forth in subsection (a) and section 171-16(c); provided that:

- (1) The disposition encourages competition within the aeronautical, airport related, agricultural, aquaculture, and maritime industries;
- (2) The disposition shall not exceed a maximum term of thirty-five years; and
- (3) The method of disposition of public lands for cattle feed production as set forth in this subsection shall not apply after December 31, 1988.

For the purpose of this subsection “agricultural processing” means the processing of agricultural products, including dairying, grown, raised, or produced in Hawaii[-] and “airport related” means a purpose or activity that requires air transportation to achieve that purpose or activity.”

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

(Approved April 27, 2001.)