### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024 STATE OF HAWAII

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that certain public lands 2 in Kona on the island of Hawaii are underutilized. Redeveloping, renovating, or improving these public lands to 3 provide suitable recreational, residential, educational, 4 5 industrial, governmental, and commercial areas where the public 6 can live, congregate, recreate, attend schools, and shop as part 7 of a thoughtfully integrated experience is in the best interest 8 of the State. 9 The purpose of this Act is to establish the Kona community 10 development district. 11 SECTION 2. Chapter 206E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

12 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and 13 to read as follows:

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### "PART . KONA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

15 §206E- Definitions. As used in this part:

16 "District" means the Kona community development district.

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"Fund" means the Kona community development district
 special fund.

3 §206E- District established; boundaries. (a) The Kona
4 community development district is hereby established under the
5 authority.

6 (b) The authority shall serve as the local redevelopment7 agency for the district.

8 (c) The district shall comprise:

9	(1)	Properties with the following tax map key numbers:	
10		3-7-4-008-003, 3-7-4-008-040, 3-7-4-008-041,	
11		3-7-4-008-042, 3-7-4-008-046, 3-7-4-008-050,	
12		3-7-4-008-058, 3-7-4-008-071, 3-7-4-008-072,	
13		3-7-4-008-073, 3-7-4-008-075, 3-7-4-020-001,	
14		3-7-4-020-002, 3-7-4-020-003, 3-7-4-020-004,	
15		3-7-4-020-005, 3-7-4-020-006, 3-7-4-020-007,	
16		3-7-4-020-016, 3-7-4-020-017, 3-7-4-020-018,	
17		3-7-4-020-019, 3-7-4-020-020, 3-7-4-020-021,	
18		3-7-4-020-023, 3-7-4-020-035, 3-7-4-020-036,	
19		3-7-4-020-037, 3-7-4-021-002, 3-7-4-021-003,	
20		3-7-4-021-004, and 3-7-4-021-005; and	

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1	(2)	Lands between the properties specified in
2		paragraph (1) that have not been assigned a tax map
3		key number, including roads and lands near roads.
4	§206	E- Development policies. The following development
5	policies	shall guide the authority in the district:
6	(1)	Archaeological, historical, and cultural sites shall
7		be preserved and protected in accordance with
8		chapter 6E;
9	(2)	Endangered species of flora and fauna shall be
10		preserved to the extent required by law;
11	(3)	Land use and development activities within the
12		district shall be coordinated with and, to the extent
13		possible, complement existing county and state
14		policies, plans, and programs affecting the district;
15		and
16	(4)	Public facilities within the district shall be
17		planned, located, and developed to support the
18		development policies established by this section and
19		any rule adopted pursuant to this part.
20	§206	E- Financial aid from the federal government;
21	contracts	with the federal government. (a) The authority may



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secure financial aid from the federal government for any
 planning, design, development, construction, and maintenance
 work that the authority is authorized to undertake pursuant to
 this part.

5 (b) In addition and supplemental to the powers granted to
6 the authority under section 206E-4, the authority may:

7 (1) Borrow moneys or accept grants from the federal
8 government in aid of or for any development project
9 the authority is authorized to undertake pursuant to
10 this part;

11 (2) Issue bonds or other evidence of indebtedness and
12 pledge revenues and other assets as security for
13 indebtedness incurred pursuant to this part;

14 (3) Repay any indebtedness, including any interest
15 incurred thereon by the authority pursuant to this
16 part;

17 (4) Procure insurance or loan guarantees from the federal
18 government for the payment of any debts or parts
19 thereof secured by mortgages made by or held by the
20 authority;

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1 (5) Execute contracts with the federal government in 2 accordance with this part; and 3 (6) Comply with terms and conditions required by the 4 federal government in any contract or grant for 5 federal assistance. 6 It is the purpose and intent of this section to (C) 7 authorize the authority to do all things necessary to secure the 8 cooperation of and financial aid from the federal government for 9 any planning, design, development, construction, and maintenance 10 work that the authority is authorized to undertake pursuant to 11 this part. 12 Kona community development district special \$206E-13 fund. (a) There is established in the state treasury the Kona 14 community development district special fund, into which shall be 15 deposited: 16 All revenues, income, and receipts of the authority (1)for the district, notwithstanding any other law to the 17 18 contrary, including section 206E-16; 19 Moneys directed, allocated, or disbursed to the (2) 20 district from government agencies or private

individuals or organizations, including grants, gifts,

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awards, donations, and assessments of landowners for costs to administer and operate the district; and (3) Moneys appropriated to the fund by the legislature. (b) Moneys in the fund shall be used only for the purposes of this part.

6 (c) Investment earnings credited to the assets of the fund7 shall become assets of the fund.

8 §206E- Annual comprehensive report. No later than
9 twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session, the
10 authority shall submit to the legislature an annual
11 comprehensive report on the progress of development within the
12 district."

13 SECTION 3. Section 206E-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 14 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 15 The authority shall consist of the director of "(b) finance or the director's designee; the director of 16 transportation or the director's designee; the director of 17 18 business, economic development, and tourism or the director's 19 designee; the chairperson of the board of land and natural 20 resources; the director of planning or planning and permitting 21 of each county in which a community development district is

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1 located or the director's designee; a cultural specialist; an at-large member nominated by the president of the senate; an 2 at-large member nominated by the speaker of the house of 3 4 representatives; two representatives of the Heeia community 5 development district, comprising one resident of that district 6 or the Koolaupoko district, which consists of sections 1 through 7 9 of zone 4 of the first tax map key division, and one owner of 8 a small business or one officer or director of a nonprofit 9 organization in the Heeia community development district or 10 Koolaupoko district; two representatives of the Kalaeloa 11 community development district, comprising one resident of the 12 Ewa zone (zone 9, sections 1 through 2) or the Waianae zone 13 (zone 8, sections 1 through 9) of the first tax map key 14 division, and one owner of a small business or one officer or director of a nonprofit organization in the Ewa or Waianae zone; 15 16 two representatives of the Kakaako community development 17 district, comprising one resident of the district and one owner 18 of a small business or one officer or director of a nonprofit 19 organization in the district; [and] two representatives of the 20 Pulehunui community development district, consisting of one 21 resident of the island of Maui, and one owner of a small

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1 business or one officer or director of a nonprofit organization 2 on the island of Maui[-;]; and two representatives of the Kona community development district, consisting of one resident of 3 4 Kona, and one owner of a small business or one officer or 5 director of a nonprofit organization in Kona. All members except the director of finance, director of 6 7 transportation, county directors of planning or planning and 8 permitting, director of business, economic development, and 9 tourism, chairperson of the board of land and natural resources, 10 or their respective designees shall be appointed by the governor pursuant to section 26-34. The two at-large members nominated 11 12 by the president of the senate and speaker of the house of 13 representatives shall each be invited to serve and appointed by 14 the governor from a list of three nominees submitted for each 15 position [by the nominating authority specified in this 16 subsection].

17 The president of the senate and the speaker of the house of 18 representatives shall each submit a list of six nominees for 19 each district to the governor to fill the two district 20 representative positions for each community development 21 district. For each community development district, the governor

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1	shall appoint one member from a list of nominees submitted by
2	the president of the senate and one member from a list of
3	nominees submitted by the speaker of the house of
4	representatives, and of the two appointees, one shall meet the
5	district residency requirement and one shall meet the district
6	small business owner or nonprofit organization officer or
7	director requirement.
8	The authority shall be organized and shall exercise
9	jurisdiction as follows:
10	(1) For matters affecting the Heeia community development
11	district, the following members shall be considered in
12	determining quorum and majority and shall be eligible
13	to vote:
14	(A) The director of finance or the director's
15	designee;
16	(B) The director of transportation or the director's
17	designee;
18	(C) The director of business, economic development,
19	and tourism or the director's designee;

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1		(D)	The director of planning and permitting for the		
2			county in which the Heeia community development		
3			district is located or the director's designee;		
4		(E)	The cultural specialist;		
5		(F)	The two at-large members; and		
6		(G)	The two representatives of the Heeia community		
7			development district;		
8	(2)	For	matters affecting the Kalaeloa community		
9		deve	lopment district, the following members shall be		
10		cons	considered in determining quorum and majority and		
11		shal	shall be eligible to vote:		
12		(A)	The director of finance or the director's		
13			designee;		
14		(B)	The director of transportation or the director's		
15			designee;		
16		(C)	The director of business, economic development,		
17			and tourism or the director's designee;		
18		(D)	The director of planning and permitting for the		
19			county in which the Kalaeloa community		
20			development district is located or the director's		
21			designee;		



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1		(E)	The cultural specialist;
2		(F)	The two at-large members; and
3		(G)	The two representatives of the Kalaeloa community
4			development district;
5	(3)	For	matters affecting the Kakaako community
6		deve	lopment district, the following members shall be
7		cons	idered in determining quorum and majority and
8		shal	l be eligible to vote:
9		(A)	The director of finance or the director's
10			designee;
11		(B)	The director of transportation or the director's
12			designee;
13		(C)	The director of business, economic development,
14			and tourism or the director's designee;
15		(D)	The director of planning and permitting for the
16			county in which the Kakaako community development
17			district is located or the director's designee;
18		(E)	The cultural specialist;
19		(F)	The two at-large members; and
20		(G)	The two representatives of the Kakaako community
21			development district; [and]

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1	(4)	For matters affecting the Pulehunui community
2		development district, the following members shall be
3		considered in determining quorum and majority and
4		shall be eligible to vote:
5		(A) The director of finance or the director's
6		designee;
7		(B) The director of transportation or the director's
8		designee;
9		(C) The director of business, economic development,
10		and tourism or the director's designee;
11		(D) The director of planning for the county in which
12		the Pulehunui community development district is
13		located or the director's designee;
14		(E) The chairperson of the board of land and natural
15		resources or the chairperson's designee;
16		(F) The cultural specialist;
17		(G) The two at-large members; and
18		(H) The two representatives of the Pulehunui
19		community development district $[-]$ ; and
20	(5)	For matters affecting the Kona community development
21		district, the following members shall be considered in

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1	dete	rmining quorum and majority and shall be eligible
2	to v	rote:
3	<u>(A)</u>	The director of finance or the director's
4		designee;
5	<u>(B)</u>	The director of transportation or the director's
6		designee;
7	(C)	The director of business, economic development,
8		and tourism or the director's designee;
9	<u>(D)</u>	The director of planning for the county in which
10		the Kona community development district is
11		located or the director's designee;
12	<u>(E)</u>	The chairperson of the board of land and natural
13		resources or the chairperson's designee;
14	<u>(F)</u>	The cultural specialist;
15	<u>(G)</u>	The two at-large members; and
16	<u>(H)</u>	The two representatives of the Kona community
17		development district.
18	In the ev	ent of a vacancy, a member shall be appointed to
19	fill the vacan	cy in the same manner as the original appointment
20	within thirty	days of the vacancy or within ten days of the
21	senate's rejec	tion of a previous appointment, as applicable.

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1 The terms of the director of finance; director of 2 transportation; county directors of planning and permitting; 3 director of business, economic development, and tourism; and 4 chairperson of the board of land and natural resources; or their respective designees shall run concurrently with each official's 5 6 term of office. The terms of the appointed voting members shall 7 be for four years, commencing on July 1 and expiring on June 30. 8 The governor shall provide for staggered terms of the initially 9 appointed voting members so that the initial terms of four 10 members selected by lot shall be for two years, the initial 11 terms of four members selected by lot shall be for three years, 12 and the initial terms of the remaining three members shall be 13 for four years.

14 The governor may remove or suspend for cause any member15 after due notice and public hearing.

Notwithstanding section 92-15, a majority of all eligible
voting members as specified in this subsection shall constitute
a quorum to do business, and the concurrence of a majority of
all eligible voting members as specified in this subsection
shall be necessary to make any action of the authority valid.
All members shall continue in office until their respective

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successors have been appointed and qualified. Except as herein 1 2 provided, no member appointed under this subsection shall be an 3 officer or employee of the State or its political subdivisions. 4 For purposes of this section, "small business" means a business that is independently owned and that is not dominant in 5 6 its field of operation." 7 SECTION 4. The Hawaii community development authority and 8 the department of corrections and rehabilitation shall: 9 (1)Pursue grants and loans from the United States Department of Agriculture's Community Facilities 10 11 Direct Loan and Grant Program to fund the development 12 of a correctional facility or community correctional 13 center within the Kona development district; and 14 (2) Use the funds obtained pursuant to paragraph (1) to 15 construct a correctional facility or community 16 correctional center within the Kona development 17 district. 18 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 20 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.

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#### Report Title:

Kona Community Development District; HCDA; DCR; Membership; New Prison

#### Description:

Creates the Kona Community Development District to allow for planning, development, and maintenance of public lands in Kona, on the island of Hawaii. Amends the Hawaii Community Development Authority membership to include members of Kona. Requires the Hawaii Community Development Authority and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to seek federal grants and loans from the United States Department of Agriculture's Community Facilities Direct Loan and Grant Program for the construction of a correctional project within the new development district. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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