A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 173A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	"§173A- Appraisal of land. (a) The appraisal of land
5	to be acquired by the State under this chapter may be performed
6	by not more than three disinterested appraisers. The State may:
7	(1) Review, approve, and accept an existing appraisal if:
8	(A) The appraisal was completed within one year
9	before the decision by the board approving the
10	acquisition of the land; and
11	(B) The State finds that the appraisal was performed
12	according to accepted professional standards for
13	appraisals of land;
14	<u>or</u>
15	(2) Contract for independent appraisals from no more than
16	three disinterested appraisers.
17	No land shall be purchased for a sum greater than the
18	highest value fixed by the appraiser or appraisals; provided
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- 1 that the State, after review of the appraisals by the appraiser
 2 or appraisers, may purchase the land at a value greater than the
- 3 highest value if, after consultation with another independent
- 4 appraiser, the higher value is determined by the appraiser to be
- 5 justified and within the range of market value; provided further
- 6 that this limitation shall not apply where acquisition is by
- 7 condemnation. After the land has been acquired or the State
- 8 abandons the acquisition, these appraisal reports shall be
- 9 available for inspection and copying by the public.
- 10 (b) No appraisal shall be required under this section in
- 11 the event that an interest in land is donated to the State."
- 12 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 13 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Lands Having Value as a Resource to the State; Appraisals

Description:

Clarifies the appraisal process for state acquisitions of "Lands Having Value as a Resource to the State"; permits the State to purchase land at a cost higher than appraisal if it determines the higher cost is justified; and exempts donated lands from the appraisal requirements. (SB3084 HD2)