## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROTECTION OF CAVES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 6D-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- Where the department determines in consultation with 3 "(a)
- the owner that dissemination of knowledge of cave location or 4
- resources could be detrimental to their protection, then the 5
- government information on the cave location and sensitive 6
- resources shall be kept confidential [-], except that the 7
- department may disclose such records to the office of Hawaiian 8
- affairs, the appropriate island burial council, and recognized 9
- descendants of burials located within the land parcel on which 10
- 11 the cave is located."
- SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 12
- 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

This Act shall take effect upon its approval. 14

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## Report Title:

Protection of Caves; Confidentiality

## Description:

Exempts the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, the appropriate Island Burial Council, and recognized descendants of burials located within the land parcel on which the cave is located from confidentiality of cave location or resources.

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