A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE PARKS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 184-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "§184-6 Duties of department. The department of land and
- 4 natural resources shall preserve the parks and parkways in the
- 5 state park system in their natural condition so far as may be
- 6 consistent with their use and safety, and [improve] manage them
- 7 in [such] a manner as to retain to a maximum extent their
- 8 natural scenic, historic, and wildlife values for the use and
- 9 enjoyment of [the public.] present and future generations.
- 10 The fundamental purpose of the state park system is to
- 11 conserve park resources and values. Where there is a conflict
- 12 between conserving resources and values and providing for use
- 13 and enjoyment of those resources and values, conservation of
- 14 those resources and values shall be the predominant concern."
- 15 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

State Park System; Conservation of Park Resources

Description:

Clarifies that the conservation of park resources and values is the predominant concern of the state park system.