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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WAIMANO RIDGE.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that good communication  
2 and relations between the state administration and the residents  
3 of the Waimano ridge community are imperative in planning the  
4 use of the state-owned lands in the Waimano ridge area.

5           The legislature further finds that a new or updated  
6 master plan for the state-owned Waimano ridge lands is  
7 necessary. In the early 1990s, there was a collaborative  
8 government and community effort to establish a master plan for  
9 the Waimano ridge area. This master plan was formulated by the  
10 department of health with community input and was designed to  
11 create a "totally integrated community" where activities on the  
12 state-owned Waimano ridge lands would be community-friendly.

13 However, after the plan was developed, the State's economy took  
14 a downturn and the in-patient care facility on the Waimano ridge  
15 closed, which significantly affected the implementation of the  
16 master plan.



1           In 2005, the legislature enacted Act 7, Special Session  
2 Laws of Hawaii 2005, which required the department of health to  
3 give prior notice to the Waimano neighborhood board and the  
4 members of the legislature from that district and to obtain the  
5 approval of the governor for any use of state-owned land under  
6 the department's jurisdiction in the Waimano ridge area prior to  
7 use of the land. Additionally, Act 7 required the department to  
8 prepare an updated master plan for the Waimano ridge lands.

9           In 2006, the legislature and the department of health  
10 convened the Waimano ridge task force to improve communications  
11 and relations between the community and the State and to lay the  
12 groundwork for a new master plan.

13           The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to  
14 facilitate the establishment of a "totally integrated community"  
15 where activities on the state-owned Waimano ridge lands will be  
16 community-friendly by funding the activities of the Waimano  
17 ridge task force and establishing a comprehensive Waimano ridge  
18 master plan.

19           SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
20 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$150,000 or so much  
21 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 and the



1 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
2 2008-2009 for the Waimano ridge task force operating expenses.

3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
4 of health for the purposes of this section.

5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.



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**Report Title:**

Waimano Ridge; Task Force

**Description:**

Appropriates funds to support the Waimano Ridge Task Force for operating expenses and for a comprehensive master plan. (CD1)

