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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF A HAWAII ARCHAEOLOGICAL DATA SURVEY.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 6E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended  
2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to  
3 read as follows:

4 **"§6E- Archaeological data survey; designation. (a) A**  
5 Hawaii archaeological data survey is established and designated  
6 as a program of the State of Hawaii Museum of Natural and  
7 Cultural History. The survey shall be an online database of  
8 archaeological documents and materials, including but not  
9 limited to reports, maps, archived documents, and artifacts  
10 obtained through archaeological work in Hawaii, beginning with  
11 the collections of Bishop Museum. To expand the use and  
12 knowledge of Hawaii's archaeological artifacts, the data survey  
13 shall be conducted and maintained in consultation with the  
14 department of land and natural resources and other appropriate  
15 organizations.

16 (b) The museum, in consultation with the office of  
17 Hawaiian affairs and department of land and natural resources,



1 may withhold from the database, temporarily or permanently,  
2 information that is not required to be disclosed under section  
3 92F-13(3), due to a valid threat that disclosure may frustrate  
4 the legitimate government function of protecting valuable  
5 archaeological sites and artifacts. A consensus of these three  
6 entities shall determine what information shall be withheld from  
7 the data survey."

8 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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



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**Report Title:**

Archaeological Data Survey; Established

**Description:**

Establishes and designates an archaeological data survey as an online database program of the State of Hawaii Museum of Natural and Cultural History, beginning with the collections of Bishop Museum; authorizes the museum, in consultation with the office of Hawaiian affairs and the department of land and natural resources, to withhold from the database, either temporarily or permanently, information that may pose a threat to the protection of valuable archaeological sites and artifacts.

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