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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR SPORTS COMPLEX.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The Hawaii Raceway Park closed in 2006, leaving
- 2 motor sports racing enthusiasts without a venue to perform and
- 3 enjoy their hobby. Motor sports are immensely popular on Oahu,
- 4 and the closure of the raceway deprived Oahu residents of a
- 5 place where racing is legal and controlled. In addition, a
- 6 raceway would provide an alternative to illegal street racing
- 7 and provide a facility for pursuit training for law enforcement
- 8 officials.
- 9 The purpose of this Act is to allow the department of land
- 10 and natural resources to exercise eminent domain proceedings to
- 11 condemn the land formerly used for the Hawaii Raceway Park, or
- 12 in the alternative, to arrange for an exchange of land with the
- 13 owner.
- 14 SECTION 2. The department of land and natural resources
- 15 may exercise eminent domain to condemn certain parcels of land
- 16 (TMK: 9-1-075:044 of 7.066 acres, and TMK: 9-1-075:050 of
- 17 58.11 acres) located in Kapolei, Hawaii, for public use as a

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- 1 public raceway park. In lieu of condemnation, the department of
- 2 land and natural resources may arrange for an exchange of land
- 3 or acquire said lands by negotiation.
- 4 SECTION 3. After acquisition of lands described in section
- 5 2 of this Act, the department of land and natural resources
- 6 shall cause the lands to be reclassified and rezoned for use as
- 7 a raceway park facility for motor sport events and activities,
- 8 among other appropriate related uses.
- 9 The department of land and natural resources may cause said
- 10 lands to be developed by a private developer, as provided by
- 11 law, for the purpose of construction and operation of a raceway
- 12 park facility for motor sports.
- 13 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
- 14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 15 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for
- 16 eminent domain proceedings to condemn parcels of land as
- 17 described under section 2 of this Act, or to otherwise acquire
- 18 said land by negotiation.
- 19 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 20 land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

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Report Title:

Public Lands; Condemnation; Motor Sports Facility

Description:

Authorizes the department of land and natural resources to condemn land to build a motor sports facility.