## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII CAPITAL CULTURAL HERITAGE AREA.

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

- SECTION 1. On October 2, 2003, Governor Linda Lingle and 1 former Mayor Jeremy Harris of the city and county of Honolulu 2 signed a joint proclamation establishing the Hawaii capital 3 cultural district. The designated area lies between Kalihi and 4 Piikoi streets, and Beretania street and the Pacific ocean. The 5 legislature passed House concurrent resolution no. 50, H.D. 1, 6 S.D. 1 (2004) designating the same area as the Hawaii capital 7 8 cultural district, as well. The Hawaii Capital Cultural District Coalition, a nonprofit 9 organization, is a broad-based partnership of arts and cultural 10 11 organizations, businesses, public agencies, and community members who share a vision of a vibrant and active central 12 Honolulu characterized by Hawaii's unique and diverse heritage, 13 cultures, and arts, and who look to become recognized as a 14 15 national heritage area by the national park service of the 16 United States Department of the Interior. The department of business, economic development, and tourism is an active 17 participant in the coalition. Among the responsibilities of the 18
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- 1 arts and culture development branch of the department of
- 2 business, economic development, and tourism is stimulating,
- 3 guiding, and promoting culture and the arts as a creative
- 4 economy and vibrant and sustainable sector of Hawaii's economy
- 5 throughout the State.
- 6 The purpose of this Act is to:
- 7 (1) Codify the designation of the Nu'uanu ahupua'a area
  8 bounded respectively by Kalihi and Piikoi streets, and
  9 the Pali lookout and the Pacific ocean as the Hawaii
- 10 capital cultural heritage area; and
- 11 (2) Appropriate funds for the arts and culture development
- 12 branch of the department of business, economic
- 13 development, and tourism to plan and implement
- programs and projects that recognize, preserve, and
- celebrate the significance of the Hawaii capital
- 16 cultural district and its exceptional trees, recently
- named the Hawaii capital cultural heritage area, to
- 18 the heritage, culture, and arts of Hawaii.
- 19 SECTION 2. Chapter 201, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 20 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 21 and to read as follows:

Hawaii capital cultural heritage area. (a) 1 "§201-2 There is established a Hawaii capital cultural heritage area. (b) The Hawaii capital cultural heritage area shall be the 3 4 Nu'uanu ahupua'a area in Honolulu, Oahu bounded respectively by 5 Kalihi street, Piikoi street, Pali lookout, and the Pacific 6 ocean. 7 The arts and culture development branch of the department of business, economic development, and tourism shall 8 9 encourage residents, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and private partners to collaboratively plan and 10 11 implement programs and projects that recognize, preserve, 12 stimulate, and celebrate the significance of the Hawaii capital cultural heritage area and its exceptional trees to the 13 heritage, culture, and arts of Hawaii." 14 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general 15 16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,000,000 or so much 17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the 18 arts and culture development branch of the department of 19 business, economic development, and tourism to plan and 20 implement programs and projects that recognize, preserve, stimulate, and celebrate the significance of the Hawaii capital 21 22 cultural heritage area and its exceptional trees to the

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- 1 heritage, culture, and arts of Hawaii, including efforts towards
- 2 becoming recognized as a national heritage area by the national
- 3 park service of the United State Department of the Interior.
- 4 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 5 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
- 6 this Act.
- 7 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
- 8 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
- 9 provided that section 3 shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

## Report Title:

Appropriation; Hawaii Capital Cultural Heritage Area

## Description:

Codifies the designation of the Nu'uanu ahupua'a area in Honolulu respectively between Kalihi and Piikoi streets, and Pali lookout and the Pacific ocean as the Hawaii capital cultural heritage area. Appropriates funds for the arts and culture development branch of the department of business, tourism, and economic development, to plan and implement programs and projects that recognize, preserve, stimulate, and celebrate the significance of the Hawaii capital cultural heritage area and its exceptional trees. (SD1)