A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 10-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "\$10-4 Office of Hawaiian affairs; established; general
- 4 powers. There shall be an office of Hawaiian affairs
- 5 constituted as a body corporate which shall be a separate entity
- 6 independent of the executive branch. The office, under the
- 7 direction of the board of trustees, shall have the following
- 8 general powers:
- 9 (1) To adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws governing the
- 10 conduct of its business and the performance of the
- 11 powers and duties granted to or imposed upon it by
- 12 law;
- 13 (2) To acquire in any lawful manner any property, real,
- 14 personal, or mixed, tangible or intangible, or any
- interest therein; to hold, maintain, use, and operate
- 16 the same; and to sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of
- 17 the same at such time, in such manner and to the

| 1 | | extent necessary or appropriate to carry out its |
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| 2 | | purpose; |
| 3 | (3) | To determine the character of and the necessity for |
| 4 | | its obligations and expenditures, and the manner in |
| 5 | | which they shall be incurred, allowed, and paid, |
| 6 | | subject to provisions of law specifically applicable |
| 7 | | to the office of Hawaiian affairs; |
| 8 | (4) | To enter into and perform such contracts, leases, |
| 9 | | cooperative agreements, or other transactions with any |
| 10 | | agency or instrumentality of the United States, or |
| 11 | | with the State, or with any political subdivision |
| 12 | | thereof, or with any person, firm, association, or |
| 13 | | corporation, whether operated on a for-profit or not- |
| 14 | | for-profit basis, as may be necessary or appropriate |
| 15 | | in the conduct of [its] the office's business and on |
| 16 | | such terms as it may deem appropriate $[+]$, including |
| 17 | | but not limited to: |
| 18 | | (A) Creating nonprofit entities, including but not |
| 19 | | limited to limited liability companies and |
| 20 | | charitable fund-raising foundations, to be |
| 21 | | controlled wholly by the office or jointly with |
| 22 | | others; and |

| 1 | | (B) Establishing, subscribing to, and owning stock in |
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| 2 | | business corporations individually or jointly |
| 3 | | with others; |
| 4 | (5) | To execute, in accordance with its bylaws, all |
| 5 | | instruments necessary or appropriate in the exercise |
| 6 | | of any of its powers; |
| 7 | (6) | To issue revenue bonds pursuant to this chapter in |
| 8 | | such principal amounts as may be authorized from time |
| 9 | | to time by law to finance the cost of an office |
| 10 | | project as authorized by law and to provide for the |
| 11 | | security thereof as permitted by this chapter; |
| 12 | (7) | To lend or otherwise apply the proceeds of the bonds |
| 13 | | issued for an office project either directly or |
| 14 | | through a trustee or a qualified person for use and |
| 15 | | application in the acquisition, construction, |
| 16 | | installation, or modification of an office project, or |
| 17 | | agree with the qualified person whereby any of these |
| 18 | | activities shall be undertaken or supervised by that |
| 19 | | qualified person or by a person designated by the |
| 20 | | qualified person; |
| 21 | (8) | With or without terminating a project agreement, to |
| 22 | | exercise any and all rights provided by law for entry |

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| 1 | | and re-entry upon or to take possession of an office |
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| 2 | | project at any time or from time to time upon breach |
| 3 | | or default by a qualified person under a project |
| 4 | | agreement, including any action at law or in equity |
| 5 | | for the purpose of effecting its rights of entry or |
| 6 | | re-entry or obtaining possession of the project or for |
| 7 | | the payments of rentals, user taxes, or charges, or |
| 8 | | any other sum due and payable by the qualified person |
| 9 | | to the office pursuant to the project agreement; and |
| 10 | (9) | [To take such actions as may be necessary or |
| 11 | | appropriate to carry out the powers conferred upon it |
| 12 | | by law.] To have and exercise all rights and powers, |
| 13 | | and take such actions, that are necessary, |
| 14 | | appropriate, incidental to, or implied from the |
| 15 | | general or specific powers granted in this chapter, |
| 16 | | which general or specific granted powers shall not be |
| 17 | | considered as a limitation upon any power necessary or |
| 18 | | appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of |
| 19 | | this chapter." |
| 20 | SECT | ION 2. Section 10-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
| 21 | amended by | y amending subsection (b) to read as follows: |

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| 1 | "(b) | The | board | shall | have | any | powers | which | may | be |
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- 2 necessary or appropriate for the full and effective performance
- 3 and discharge of the duties imposed by this chapter, and which
- 4 may be necessary or appropriate to fully and completely
- 5 effectuate the purposes of this chapter."
- 6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

By Request

Report Title:

Office of Hawaiian Affairs; Powers; Limited Liability Companies

Description:

Clarifies that OHA may create limited liability companies and other entities to and to engage in other transactions.