A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the proper oversight 2 of development plays an important role in balancing coastal 3 areas with preservation and commercial or residential development. However, due to the rise of inflation, the cost of 4 5 construction disqualifies most projects from special management 6 area minor permits. Increasing the valuation for minor permits, 7 while requiring no adverse impacts to the environment, is vital 8 to maintaining a balance between the two competing interests. 9 The purpose of this act is to increase the threshold for 10 special management area minor permits. 11 SECTION 2. Section 205A-22, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 12 amended by amending the definitions of "special management area
- ""Special management area minor permit" means an action by
 the authority authorizing development the valuation of which is
 not in excess of [\$125,000] \$250,000 and which has no

minor permit" and "special management area use permit" to read

as follows:

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- 1 substantial adverse environmental or ecological effect, taking
- 2 into account potential cumulative effects."
- 3 ""Special management area use permit" means an action by
- 4 the authority authorizing development the valuation of which
- 5 exceeds [\$125,000] \$250,000 or which may have a substantial
- 6 adverse environmental or ecological effect, taking into account
- 7 potential cumulative effects."
- 8 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Coastal Zone Management; Permits

Description:

Increases the threshold amount between special management area minor permits and special management area permits.