A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO URBAN RENEWAL.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 46, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended 2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to 3 read as follows: 4 "§46- Urban renewal. (a) The council of each county 5 shall enact the necessary ordinances to permit the establishment 6 of special purpose overlay districts for the purpose of creating 7 incentives for urban renewal consistent with the county's long-8 range, comprehensive general plan adopted pursuant to section 9 46-4(a); provided that special purpose overlay districts may 10 incorporate tax incentives or waivers of state or county zoning, 11 building, or other regulations. 12 For the purposes of this section, "urban renewal" 13 means: 14 (1)New job and housing opportunities; 15 (2) Economic development and crime reduction; 16 (3) Development or improvement of public facilities 17 including libraries, theaters, parks, youth centers, 18 bike paths, and greenbelts;

1	(4)	Landscaping of neighborhood streets with trees or
2		shrubs;
3	(5)	Improvements of street lights, storm drains, and water
4		systems;
5	(6)	Reduced through traffic on residential streets;
6	(7)	New cultural, shopping, or recreational opportunities;
7	(8)	Restoration of community pride; and
8	(9)	Increase of county revenues to provide greater public
9		safety and services."
10	SECT:	ION 2. (a) There is created in the department of land
11	and natura	al resources for administrative purposes only, the
12	urban rene	ewal task force to investigate the need for
13	redevelop	ment in urban areas in each of the counties and to make
14	recommenda	ations for implementing a state-wide plan for urban
15	renewal.	
16	(b)	The urban renewal task force shall be composed of:
17	(1)	The mayor of the county of Hawaii or the mayor's
18		designee;
19	(2)	The mayor of the city and county of Honolulu or the
20		mayor's designee;
21	(3)	The mayor of the county of Kauai or the mayor's
22		designee;

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1	(4)	The	mayor	of	the	county	of	Maui	or	the	mayor's
2		desi	ignee;								

- 3 (5) The chairperson of the board of land and natural4 resources or the chairperson's designee; and
- (6) The director of transportation or the director'sdesignee;
- 7 provided that the governor, the speaker of the house of
- 8 representatives, and the president of the senate shall each
- 9 appoint one member in addition to those specified in paragraphs
- 10 (1) through (6); provided further that the governor shall
- 11 appoint two additional members of the task force who shall be
- 12 representatives of the real estate development industry.
- 13 Members of the task force shall serve without compensation for
- 14 their service but shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in
- 15 traveling between islands for the purpose of performing their
- 16 duties under this Act.
- 17 (c) The urban renewal task force shall meet a minimum of
- 18 five times between July 1, 2011, and June 30, 2012, and shall be
- 19 dissolved on June 30, 2012.
- (d) The department of land and natural resources shall
- 21 provide administrative support to the urban renewal task force.

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1	(e)	The members of the urban renewal task force shall
2	elect a c	hair from among the members and shall adopt rules and
3	procedure	s for the internal workings of the group.
4	(f)	The urban renewal task force shall investigate and
5	assess the	e urban renewal and redevelopment needs of each county
6	including	the need for:
7	(1)	New job and housing opportunities;
8	(2)	Economic development and crime reduction;
9	(3)	Development or improvement of public facilities
10		including libraries, theaters, parks, youth centers,
11		bike paths, and greenbelts;
12	(4)	Landscaping of neighborhood streets with trees or
13		shrubs;
14	(5)	Improvements of street lights, storm drains, and water
15		systems;
16	(6)	Reduced through traffic on residential streets;
17	(7)	New cultural, shopping, or recreational opportunities;
18	(8)	Restoration of community pride; and
19	(9)	Increase of county revenues to provide greater public
20		safety and services.

1 (q) The urban renewal task force shall investigate and 2 assess the need or desirability of the creation of a state-level 3 redevelopment agency with the power to: 4 (1) Receive and spend funds from the State and other 5 public and private funding sources: Help improve public infrastructure and facilities; 6 (2) 7 (3) Prepare sites for development; (4)Receive, hold, transfer, and develop land; 9 (5) Initiate measures to create incentives for private 10 development; 11 (6) Regulate land use; and Preserve, rehabilitate, and produce affordable housing 12 (7)13 for low- and moderate-income residents. 14 (h) The urban renewal task force shall designate potential 15 redevelopment project areas in each county and identify the 16 specific needs of each area. For each county, the urban renewal 17 task force shall propose the creation of special purpose overlay 18 districts to create incentives for redevelopment projects that 19 address the particular needs of each identified project area.

The urban renewal task force shall submit a report to

the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening

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of the 2012 regular session that includes:

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. 1	(1)	A summary of the identified urban renewal or
2		redevelopment needs of each county;
3	(2)	A summary of the assessment of the need for and
4		desirability of a state-level redevelopment agency
5		including identification of potential issues involved
6		in implementation;
7	(3)	A map or plan of proposed special purpose overlay
8	(districts for each county and an explanation of the
9		needs to be met and the incentives to be offered in
10		each overlay district; and
11	(4)	Proposals for new or amended state laws, county
12		ordinances, and agency rules necessary to effectuate
13		the recommendations of the task force.
14	SECT	ION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
15	revenues	of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
16	much there	eof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-2012 to
17	fund the	allowable travel expenses of the urban renewal task
18	force.	
19	The	sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
20	land and	natural resources for the purposes of this Act.
21	SECT	ION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
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1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

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INTRODUCED BY:

Report Title:

Urban Renewal; Counties; Task Force; Appropriation

Description:

Authorizes the counties to enact ordinances to establish special purpose overlay districts for the purpose of urban renewal; Establishes an urban renewal task force to investigate urban renewal needs and to propose solutions on the state and county levels; makes appropriation.

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