### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 205, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated		
3	and to read as follows:		
4	"§205- Conflict of interest. (a) Notwithstanding any		
5	provision of law to the contrary, if any member of the land use		
6	commission has had material personal involvement with a parcel		
7	of land that is the subject of action to be taken by the		
8	commission, the member shall disclose the nature of the material		
9	personal involvement and shall not vote or take any official		
10	action relating to that parcel of land.		
11	(b) For the purposes of this section:		
12	"Material personal involvement" means:		
13	(1) The commissioner has at any time had ownership or		
14	tenancy rights attached to the parcel of land that is		
15	subject to a land use commission proceeding; or		
16	(2) A relationship between a member of the land use		
17	commission and a person or entity that controls the		

1	parc	el of land that is subject to a land use
2	comm	ission proceeding where:
3	(A)	The commissioner is, or has been within the last
4		three years, an employee other than a benefit
5		officer of the person or entity or any of the
6		entity's subsidiaries;
7	<u>(B)</u>	The commissioner is related by blood, marriage,
8		or adoption to; is a party to a civil union with;
9		is a reciprocal beneficiary or household member
10		of; or resides with an officer other than a
11		benefit officer or director of an entity or any
12		of its subsidiaries; or
13	<u>(C)</u>	The commissioner or an association of which the
14		commissioner is a director, officer, or manager
15		or in which the commissioner owns beneficially or
16		of record five per cent or more of the
17		outstanding equity interests or the outstanding
18		shares of the entity; provided that percentage
19		ownership in an association shall be calculated
20		as if all outstanding rights to acquire equity
21		interests in the association had been exercised.
22	"Entity"	has the same meaning as defined in section 245-1."



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- 1 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 3 begun before its effective date.
- 4 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

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### Report Title:

Land Use Commission; Conflict of Interest

### Description:

Prohibits members of the land use commission from voting on action taken by the commission if there is a conflict of interest.

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