A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO IOLANI PALACE.

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

1 The legislature finds that Iolani Palace is the 2 only royal palace in the United States in which a reigning 3 monarch lived, and is an icon of the State. Iolani Palace 4 should be one of the State's most protected historical sites due 5 to its importance to the people of Hawaii. The Palace is also a 6 reminder of the Kingdom of Hawaii; it was constructed in 1879, 7 making it one of the State's oldest buildings. 8 The legislature finds that the grounds of Iolani Palace 9 should be revered as highly as the Palace itself, and it is the 10 duty of the State to protect one of Hawaii's most historic and 11 treasured landmarks. Thousands of tourists and residents visit 12 Iolani Palace annually and many have noted that among the 13 hundreds of royal palaces worldwide, Iolani Palace is the only 14 royal palace that contains metered parking within its grounds. 15 The legislature finds that The Friends of Iolani Palace 16 have long planned to restore the Iolani Palace grounds to the 17 condition in which they existed in 1892, including through the removal of parking meters and restoring landscaping and other 18



- 1 exterior features, in accordance with a three-phase master plan.
- 2 The legislature notes that expediting completion of phases I and
- 3 II of the master plan is necessary to achieve the purpose of
- 4 this Act, the removal of parking meters and asphalt parking lots
- 5 in accordance with Phase III of the master plan, within a
- 6 reasonable time frame.
- 7 The purpose of this Act is to assist in the restoration of
- 8 the Iolani Palace grounds, which will culminate in the
- 9 prohibition of parking on the grounds, removal of blacktop and
- 10 paved parking areas, and maintenance of historically-appropriate
- 11 landscaping and exterior features by providing funding for
- 12 maintenance of landscaped areas of Iolani Palace grounds.
- 13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$225,000 or so much
- 15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and the
- 16 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
- 17 2014-2015 for maintenance of landscaped areas of Iolani Palace
- 18 grounds, as follows:
- (1) \$185,000 for four maintenance staff positions,
- 20 including wages and fringe benefits; and
- 21 (2) \$40,000 for maintenance equipment and supplies.

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- 1 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 2 of accounting and general services for the purposes of this Act.
- 3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

Report Title:

Iolani Palace; DAGS; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to DAGS for maintenance of Iolani Palace grounds. (SD1)

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