

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GREENWAYS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 233, Session
- 2 Laws of Hawaii 2011, requires the office of planning to develop
- 3 a plan to establish a statewide system of greenways and trails
- 4 and to coordinate with and seek input from the department of
- 5 transportation, department of land and natural resources, and
- 6 the counties. The office of planning submitted its final
- 7 report, Establishment of a Statewide Greenways System for
- 8 Hawaii, to the legislature in December 2011.
- The final report noted that the community, county and state
- 10 agencies, and nonprofit organizations have been participating in
- 11 various plans, studies, and initiatives related to the
- 12 establishment of trails, greenways, bike routes, parks, and
- 13 other projects. State agencies agreed the State should
- 14 facilitate coordination of greenways and trails but raised
- 15 concerns that it was inappropriate for their particular programs
- 16 to undertake the responsibility for planning and implementation.
- 17 Counties raised concerns related to funding the projects and
- 18 ongoing maintenance.



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1	The :	purpose of this Act is to implement the office of
2	planning'	s recommendations to authorize and appropriate funds
3	for the d	evelopment of a statewide system of greenways and
4	trails.	
5	SECT	ION 2. (a) The office of planning shall contract for
6	up to two	years with a consultant to develop a plan for the
7	establish	ment and implementation of a statewide greenways plan.
8	(b)	The development of the plan shall include:
9	(1)	Identifying and involving stakeholders and interest
10		groups for each island in the development of the plan
11	(2)	Involving the public and stakeholders in identifying
12		opportunities, barriers, and priority projects for
13		each island; and
14	(3)	Providing public outreach and education regarding the
15		value of greenways and involvement in community
16		greenways programs.
17	(C)	The plan shall establish:
18	(1)	A framework and implementation plan for facilitating
19		greenways development statewide, including the
20		establishment of state-level positions, or a state-
21		level program to support implementation;

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1 A plan to establish a permanent funding mechanism for (2) greenways support at the state level; and A monitoring component to evaluate progress in (3) implementing the plan. SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general 5 6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much 7 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and the 8 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 9 2014-2015 for a two-year contract with a consultant to develop a 10 statewide greenways plan pursuant to section 2 of this Act. 11 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the office of 12 planning for the purposes of this Act. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013. **13** SECTION 4. 14

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Report Title:

Greenways; Appropriation for Consultant

Description:

Directs the Office of Planning to contract with a consultant to develop a plan for a statewide greenways plan. Appropriates funds. Effective July 1, 2013.

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