
A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAII AS THE STATE'S
SHARE OF JOINT FUNDING WITH THE COUNTY TO CONSTRUCT
IMPROVEMENTS TO WAIMEA DISTRICT/REGIONAL PARK.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the county of Hawaii
2 has undertaken construction of improvements to Waimea
3 district/regional park. The mayor of Hawaii county proposes a
4 joint funding with the State to defray the costs to the county
5 in this economically stringent time.

6 Waimea is also a growing sports community. As of last
7 March, there was a twenty-three per cent increase in the county
8 of Hawaii's parks and recreation sports community, which is
9 already active in soccer, football, baseball, little league,
10 softball, rugby, basketball, baseball, volleyball, frisbee, and
11 T-ball. Despite Waimea's vibrant sports community, the district
12 currently has only one small five-acre park in the middle of
13 town. It has one softball field and two small practice fields.
14 Women's softball, men's softball, senior softball, little league
15 from T-ball to seniors, football, soccer, and rugby all share
16 the same field.



1 The Waimea community has long been lacking in active
2 playing fields for various sports, and for more than twenty
3 years, the community has been promised a park to help all the
4 sports organizations and non-profits to congregate. Without
5 sufficient facilities, it does not have enough space to support
6 the increase of youth and adult sports programs, nor does it
7 have a county gym to support these many youth and adult team
8 sports. Waimea residents have sought new and better park
9 facilities to keep their children and youth active and engaged
10 in healthy, positive activities and to provide recreational
11 opportunities for seniors and families.

12 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of
13 general obligation bonds and appropriate the funds derived
14 therefrom for fiscal year 2014-2015 to fund the State's
15 contribution to jointly finance improvements to the Waimea
16 district/regional park.

17 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
18 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much
19 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
20 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2014-2015
21 for the county of Hawaii to construct improvements to Waimea
22 district/regional park on the island of Hawaii, as follows: part



1 of phase 1a of the master plan, which includes a drainage master
2 plan, fifty acres or more of park site mass grading, off-site
3 infrastructure improvements (water pipeline, gravity sewer main,
4 and power facility), park access road, parking area, drainage
5 dike treatment, one regulation football field, one regulation
6 soccer and rugby field, and one comfort station.

7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the county of
8 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

9 SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital
10 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at
11 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is
12 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
13 unencumbered as of June 30, 2016, shall lapse as of that date.

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

County of Hawaii; Waimea District Park/Regional Park Funding; GO Bonds

Description:

Authorizes the issuance of an unspecified sum in general obligation bonds as the State's share of joint funding with Hawaii county for improvements to the Waimea district/regional park on the island of Hawaii. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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