A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE FINANCE INITIATIVE.

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

SECTION 1. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by

adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read

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"CHAPTER

PUBLIC-PRIVATE FINANCE INITIATIVE

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Governments around the world have engaged in public-private partnerships to address these economic challenges. State agencies are hamstrung by their limited missions and dwindling resources. Creating a partnership agency to collaborate with all state agencies and private sector entities may help deliver

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services and facilities more effectively.

- The legislature further finds that public-private 1 partnerships give governmental entities an additional tool to 2 3 deliver infrastructure through the ability to finance the design 4 and construction of a building with a private developer. 5 any finance tool, there is a price tag which still falls to the 6 taxpayer. That price tag comes in the form of a long-term 7 building lease where the developer can recoup its costs and realize a steady stream of cash through lease payments from a 8 9 relatively stable tenant: the government. 10 The "hook," or value proposition, on both sides of the 11 contract for the developer and the governmental entity lies 12 squarely on the maintenance and operations terms of the contract. If the developer is contractually required to 13 14 maintain and operate the building over a long-term period, such 15 as thirty years, an incentive is built in to ensure that the developer balances design quality with the life-cycle 16 performance of the building, including an efficient operational 17 18 This long-term incentive benefits the government, which 19 will assume ownership of the property after expiration of the 20 long-term lease. 21 According to stakeholders with public-private partnership experience in other countries, one of the most remarkable 22
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- 1 differences with public-private partnership government buildings
- 2 is that "the buildings always look new". This demonstrates a
- 3 notable advantage to public-private partnerships for government
- 4 property owners, where maintenance and operations are
- 5 contractually mandated and integrated.
- 6 The purpose of this chapter is to create a means and
- 7 process to use the skills and assets of both the public and
- 8 private sectors to deliver services and facilities for the
- 9 economic, environmental, and social benefit of the people of
- 10 Hawaii. This chapter establishes the public-private finance
- 11 initiative to administer appropriate and culturally-sensitive
- 12 projects. The initiative shall coordinate and administer
- 13 projects, while ensuring that resources are maintained for the
- 14 people of Hawaii. The initiative shall identify suitable
- 15 projects, carry out appropriate analyses, enter into public-
- 16 private agreements, and provide leadership for the facilitation
- 17 of financing, improvement, or enhancement of appropriate
- 18 facilities, operations, and property.
- 19 § -2 Definitions. As used in this chapter, unless the
- 20 context clearly requires otherwise:
- 21 "Board" means the board of directors of the public-private
- 22 finance initiative.

1 "Cooperative agreement" means an instrument, such as a 2 contract, compact, memorandum of understanding, or agreement, 3 that is signed and binding upon all parties to the agreement. 4 "Initiative" means the public-private finance initiative. 5 "Management rights" means the authority to control and 6 manage projects. 7 "Project" means a specific undertaking related to the 8 operations and properties of any public agency, including but 9 not limited to: 10 Development of plans for a public agency; and (1)11 (2) Planning, improvement, construction, rehabilitation, 12 alteration, maintenance, or repair of real property or 13 energy generation facilities. 14 "Qualified person" means any individual, partnership, corporation, not-for-profit organization, or public agency 15 16 possessing the competence, expertise, experience, and resources, 17 including financial, personnel, and tangible qualifications, as 18 deemed desirable by the initiative. 19 -3 Public-private finance initiative; established. 20 There is established the public-private finance initiative, 21 which shall be a public body corporate and politic and an 22 instrumentality and agency of the State. The initiative shall 2014-1327 SB3066 SD1 SMA.doc

- 1 be headed by a board of directors. The initiative shall be 2 placed within the department of business, economic development, 3 and tourism for administrative purposes. 4 The initiative shall: 5 Identify projects that are suitable under this (1)6 chapter; 7 (2) Conduct analyses, as appropriate; 8 (3) Enter into public-private partnership agreements, as 9 appropriate; and 10 (4)Provide leadership for public-private partnership 11 projects. 12 (b) The board of directors of the public-private finance 13 initiative shall consist of five voting members and one 14 nonvoting member. The voting members shall include: 15 (1)The comptroller, or deputy comptroller, or a 16 designated representative; 17 (2) The director of finance, or a designated 18 representative; 19 (3) The director of business, economic development, and 20 tourism, or a designated representative; 21 (4)One member to be appointed by the speaker of the house
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of representatives; and

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- 1 (5) One member to be appointed by the president of the senate.
- 3 The ex officio, nonvoting member shall be the aha moku advisory
- 4 committee member of the moku in which the project is sited.
- 5 The members appointed by the speaker of the house of
- 6 representatives and the president of the senate shall possess
- 7 sufficient knowledge, experience, and proven expertise in small
- 8 and large businesses within the development or recreation
- 9 industries, banking, real estate, finance, promotion, marketing,
- 10 or management.
- 11 The term of office of the members appointed by the speaker
- 12 of the house of representatives and the president of the senate
- 13 shall be four years.
- 14 Three members shall constitute a quorum, and a minimum of
- 15 three votes shall be necessary for all actions by the board.
- 16 (c) The board shall appoint an executive director, who
- 17 shall serve at the pleasure of the board and shall be exempt
- 18 from chapter 76. The salary of the executive director shall be
- 19 established by the board.
- (d) The board, through its executive director, may appoint
- 21 officers, agents, and employees; prescribe their duties and

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    qualifications; and establish their salaries, without regard to
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    chapter 76.
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              -4 Powers; generally. Except as otherwise limited by
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    this chapter, the initiative may:
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              Sue and be sued;
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              Have a seal and alter the same at its pleasure;
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              Make and alter bylaws for its organization and
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              internal management;
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              Adopt rules under chapter 91 necessary to implement
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              this chapter in connection with its projects;
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         (5)
              Make and execute contracts, leases, and all other
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              instruments necessary or convenient for the exercise
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              of its powers and functions under this chapter;
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              Develop guidelines to provide a fair and uniform
              process that enables private partners to properly
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              assess the risks and rewards for engagement in public-
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              private partnerships;
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              Manage projects by itself or in partnership with
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              qualified persons or other governmental agencies;
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         (8)
              Receive, examine, and determine the acceptability of
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              applications of qualified persons for public-private
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              partnerships;
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1	(9)	Encourage communication between design professionals
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3		proposals phase so the government end user may provide
4		direct, meaningful input to the competitor design
5		teams developing the proposed designs;
6	(10)	Enable small businesses to compete by:
7		(A) Restricting the use of design competitions; or
8		(B) Limiting the number of competitors required to
9		provide designs during the request for proposal
10		phase;
11		and awarding reasonable stipends to unsuccessful
12		bidders;
13	(11)	Coordinate its activities with any federal or state
14		programs;
15	(12)	Provide advisory, consultative, training, and
16		educational services and technical assistance to any
17		person, partnership, or corporation, either public or
18		private, to carry out the purposes of this chapter,
19		and engage the services of consultants on a
20		contractual basis for rendering professional and
21		technical assistance and advice;

1	(13)	Procure insurance against any loss in connection with
2		its property and other assets and operations in
3		amounts and from insurers as it deems desirable;
4	(14)	Accept gifts or grants in any form from any public
5		agency or any other source;
6	(15)	Coordinate with any public agency;
7	(16)	Recommend to the appropriate public agency the
8		acquisition of any privately owned real or personal
9		property that may be appropriate for the purposes of
10		this chapter; and
11	(17)	Do all things necessary or proper to carry out the
12		purposes of this chapter.
13	S	-5 Projects and plans. (a) The initiative may
14	develop p	lans and implement projects on behalf of public
15	agencies,	as appropriate.
16	(b)	The initiative may enter into a cooperative agreement
17	with any p	public agency to implement projects on behalf of the
18	public age	ency.

(c) The initiative may enter into cooperative agreements 20 with persons or public agencies when the powers, services, and 21 capabilities of the persons or agencies are deemed necessary and 22 appropriate.

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- 1 (d) The initiative shall have an independent consultant or
- 2 in-house expert in facilities planning, design, and construction
- 3 to assess the long-term projected needs of the government before
- 4 considering the use of public-private partnerships. This
- 5 individual shall advise the government before private partners
- 6 are solicited and may remain as advisor throughout the planning,
- 7 design, and construction.
- **8** (e) The initiative shall include a long-term maintenance
- 9 and operations scope in a public-private partnership.
- 10 (f) Prior to implementing any project, the initiative
- 11 shall submit the proposed plan for the project, together with
- 12 any amendments, to and obtain the approval of the board and the
- 13 executive of any affected public agency.
- 14 § -6 Suitability tests. For projects exceeding
- 15 \$60,000,000, a centralized governmental entity with expertise in
- 16 delivery and financial modeling for public-private partnerships
- 17 shall perform a suitability test by comparing the value of long-
- 18 term leases to existing project delivery models before issuing
- 19 any request for qualifications or proposals. Combining smaller,
- 20 separate projects to meet the \$60,000,000 threshold is
- 21 prohibited.

- 1 § -7 Approval of projects. All projects to be
- 2 undertaken by the initiative shall be approved by the board and
- 3 the executive of any affected public agency.
- 4 § -8 Transfer of management rights. (a)
- 5 Notwithstanding chapter 171 or any provision of this chapter to
- 6 the contrary, any public agency may transfer, subject to the
- 7 approval of the board or executive of the public agency,
- 8 management rights for projects under its jurisdiction to the
- 9 initiative for purposes of this chapter.
- 10 (b) If the initiative finds that projects under the
- 11 control and management of any public agency are suitable for its
- 12 purposes under this chapter, the initiative may lease properties
- 13 from or agree to manage the properties of the agency having
- 14 jurisdiction, upon terms and conditions as agreed to by the
- 15 parties.
- 16 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b) to the contrary, no
- 17 property shall be leased to the initiative if the lease would
- 18 impair any covenant between the State or any county, or any
- 19 department or board thereof, and the holders of bonds issued by
- 20 the State or the county, or any department or board thereof.
- 21 § -9 Public-private partnership revenues. Any revenues
- 22 generated by or on behalf of the initiative from public-private

- 1 partnership projects and plans undertaken pursuant to this
- 2 chapter shall be deposited into the general fund.
- 3 § -10 Exemption from taxation. The initiative shall not
- 4 be required to pay state taxes of any kind.
- 5 S -11 Application of chapter. The initiative and all
- 6 projects implemented under this chapter shall comply with all
- 7 state laws, other than with chapter 171 for the transfer of
- 8 management rights identified in section -8 and the exemption
- 9 from state taxes in section -10.
- 10 § -12 Reports and evaluation. (a) The initiative shall
- 11 submit a complete and detailed annual report of its plans and
- 12 activities as follows:
- 13 (1) To the governor no later than twenty days prior to the
- 14 convening of each regular legislative session; and
- 15 (2) To the legislature, no later than sixty days after the
- 16 submission of the report as required in paragraph (1).
- 17 (b) The board shall submit to the governor and the
- 18 legislature, no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
- 19 each regular session, an evaluation of the executive director
- 20 appointed pursuant to section -3.
- 21 SECTION 2. After the adoption of rules pursuant to section
- 22 -4(4), Hawaii Revised Statutes, established by section 1 of

- 1 this Act, the public-private finance initiative shall initiate a
- 2 pilot project on state lands in Wahiawa, city and county of
- 3 Honolulu, identified as tax map keys 74004001, 74004070,
- 4 74004071, and 74006012, pursuant to chapter , Hawaii
- 5 Revised Statutes, established by section 1 of this Act.
- 6 SECTION 3. The public-private finance initiative shall
- 7 include in its annual report to the governor and the legislature
- 8 required by section -12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, a detailed
- 9 report on the status of the pilot project established pursuant
- 10 to section 2 of this Act.
- 11 The public-private finance initiative shall notify the
- 12 governor and the legislature upon the completion of the pilot
- 13 project and, within ninety days of its completion, submit a
- 14 report to the governor and the legislature containing a review
- 15 and evaluation of the pilot project and any recommendations to
- 16 improve the effectiveness of chapter , Hawaii Revised
- 17 Statutes.
- 18 SECTION 4. The public-private finance initiative shall
- 19 neither plan nor implement any projects other than the pilot
- 20 projects identified in this Act nor enter into any agreements or
- 21 contracts related to the planning or implementation of any
- 22 projects other than the pilot projects identified in this Act.

- 1 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general
- 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much
- 3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 for:
- 4 (1) The establishment and operation of the public-private
- finance initiative pursuant to section 1 of this Act;
- 6 and
- 7 (2) The funding of three staff positions.
- 8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 9 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
- 10 this Act.
- 11 SECTION 6. If any provision of this Act, or the
- 12 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held
- 13 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
- 14 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the
- 15 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions
- 16 of this Act are severable.
- 17 SECTION 7. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 18 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 19 begun before its effective date.
- 20 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014, and
- 21 shall be repealed on July 1, 2018.

Report Title:

Public-private Finance Initiative; Pilot Project; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes the public-private finance initiative (PPIA). Requires the PPIA to initiate a pilot project. Appropriates funds for the PPIA. Repeals on 07/01/2018. (SD1)

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