A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MARINE NATIONAL MONUMENTS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. On January 6, 2009, President George W. Bush
- 2 established by Presidential Proclamation 8336 the Pacific Remote
- 3 Islands Marine National Monument to protect and preserve the
- 4 marine environment around Wake, Baker, Howland, and Jarvis
- 5 islands; Johnston and Palmyra atolls; and the Kingman Reef for
- 6 the care and management of the historic and scientific objects
- 7 located there. Intertwined with these marine habitats is the
- 8 military history of the Pacific war, during which these remote
- 9 islands witnessed some of the most brutal battles of World War
- 10 II.
- 11 The legislature finds that there is a need to record and
- 12 preserve information about this part of the United States,
- 13 particularly as it relates to the Second World War. With the
- 14 use of videoconferencing technology, a journey through the
- 15 Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument would take
- 16 students and the public to places they cannot readily access.
- 17 Such a journey would include photographing sunken warships and

- 1 submarines; interviewing veterans of World War II and the
- 2 Kamehameha Schools students of Jarvis Island; and researching of
- 3 the conditions of the ocean, plants, and sea life in the area.
- 4 The proposed journey is expected to last approximately six
- 5 weeks.
- 6 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the
- 7 department of land and natural resources, to be matched by the
- 8 department of Hawaiian home lands, the Hawaii tourism authority,
- 9 the office of Hawaiian affairs, the city and county of Honolulu,
- 10 Kamehameha schools, and the Western Pacific Regional Fisheries
- 11 Management Council, to fund:
- 12 (1) The operational costs of a journey through the Pacific
- 13 Remote Islands Marine National Monument; and
- 14 (2) The production of a television series, books, and
- other educational materials about this journey.
- 16 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
- 18 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 for:
- 19 (1) The operational costs of a journey through the Pacific
- 20 Remote Islands Marine National Monument; and

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- 1 (2) The production of a television series, books, and
- 2 other educational materials about this journey;
- 3 provided that no funds shall be made available under this Act,
- 4 unless the department of Hawaiian home lands, the Hawaii tourism
- 5 authority, the office of Hawaiian affairs, the city and county
- 6 of Honolulu, Kamehameha schools, and the Western Pacific
- 7 Regional Fisheries Management Council provides matching funds on
- 8 a shared basis for the purposes for which this sum is
- 9 appropriated.
- 10 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 11 land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.
- 12 SECTION 3. The entities providing matching funds shall
- 13 prepare and enter into a written memorandum of agreement
- 14 detailing each of their financial obligations and payment
- 15 schedules.
- 16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument; Journey; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for a journey through the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument and for the production of a television series, books, and other educational materials about this journey. Requires matching funds. (HB1156 HD1)

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