### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE AHA MOKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that over the past two
- 2 hundred years, Hawaii has experienced extensive changes,
- 3 including the deterioration of the Hawaiian culture, language,
- 4 values, and land tenure system. These changes have contributed
- 5 to the overdevelopment of coastlines, alteration of fresh water
- 6 streams, destruction of life-giving watersheds, decimation of
- 7 the coral reefs and the decline of endemic marine and
- 8 terrestrial species.
- 9 The legislature further finds that the aha moku advisory
- 10 committee was established in 2012 to advise on land and resource
- 11 management through the aha moku system, a set of best practices
- 12 based on indigenous knowledge and methodologies.
- 13 The legislature finds that the aha moku system and the aha
- 14 moku advisory committee help to ensure responsible stewardship
- 15 of the State's resources, including its land, watersheds,
- 16 fishponds, and sea.

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1	The purpose of this Act is to provide funding to department
2	of land and natural resources for the aha moku advisory
3	committee.
4	SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
5	revenues of the State of Hawaii:
6	(1) The sum of \$20,000 or so much thereof as may be
7	necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the same sum
8	or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
9	2020-2021 for the general operations of the aha moku
10	committee; and
11	(2) The sum of \$25,000 or so much thereof as may be
12	necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the same sum
13	or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
14	2020-2012 to fund one full-time equivalent (1.00 FTE)
15	permanent position within the natural and physical
16	environment program (LNR906) to serve on the aha moku
17	committee.
18	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
19	of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

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SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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#### Report Title:

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### Description:

Appropriates funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for the operations of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee. Appropriates funds to hire an expert on natural and physical environment to serve in a full-time equivalent position on the committee.

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