A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE WILDLIFE REVOLVING FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 183D-10.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows: 3 "§183D-10.5 Wildlife revolving fund; establishment. (a) 4 There is established a wildlife revolving fund under the 5 department of land and natural resources. 6 The following proceeds shall be retained by or (b) 7 transmitted to the department of land and natural resources for 8 deposit into the wildlife revolving fund: 9 Moneys collected as fees for hunting licenses, (1) 10 attendance of hunter education training programs, and 11 use of public target ranges; 12 Moneys collected under the provision of any law (2) 13 relating to the importation, taking, catching, or killing of game, wildlife, and products thereof; 14 15 Moneys, other than informers' fees authorized under (3) 16 section 183D-11, collected as fines or bail forfeitures for violation of this chapter or any **17**

1		provision of chapter 195D concerning wildlife
2		conservation; and
3	(4)	Moneys collected from the sale of:
4		(A) Any article, in addition to a hunting license,
5		which a person is required to purchase from the
6		department in order to hunt, when the requirement
7		is established by law or rule; and
8		(B) Any work of art upon which the article under
9		subparagraph (A) is based.
10	(c)	Expenditures from the wildlife revolving fund shall be
11	limited t	o the following:
12	(1)	For programs and activities to implement or enforce
13	-	this chapter, including the provision of state funds
14		to match federal aid grants under the Pittman-
15		Robertson Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (50
16		Stat. 917, 16 U.S.C. §669), as amended, for projects
17		concerning wildlife;
18	(2)	For programs and activities to implement or enforce
19		chapter 195D concerning wildlife conservation;
20	(3)	For acquisition of the use, development, or
21		maintenance of trails and accessways into or through

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1	forest reserves, natural area reserves, game
2	management areas, wildlife sanctuaries, public hunting
3	areas, private and commercial shooting preserves, or
4	private lands where hunting or hiking by the public is
5	authorized; and

- (4) For research programs and activities concerning wildlife conservation and management. Research programs and activities funded under this paragraph may be conducted by personnel of the department or through grants-in-aid to or contracts with the University of Hawaii or other qualified persons.
- (d) The proceeds of the wildlife revolving fund shall not be used as security for, or pledged to the payment of principal or interest on, any bonds or other instruments of indebtedness.
- (e) In addition to subsections (c) and (f), the department [may] shall use moneys [in] received into the wildlife revolving fund for the importation into, and the management, preservation, propagation, and protection of, game, introduced game species, or wildlife in the State; provided that the department, prior to authorizing expenditures or expending funds from the wildlife revolving fund [shall first] and after consulting with the game

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- 1 management advisory commission, may use those funds to maximize
- 2 the State's participation to secure federal funds under the
- 3 Pittman-Robertson Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, as
- 4 amended[-], following notice to the game management advisory
- 5 commission; provided further that the funds shall be used to
- 6 benefit the department's mission to preserve, protect, and
- 7 promote public hunting.
- **8** (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed as
- 9 prohibiting the funding with general funds or other funds of
- 10 programs and activities to implement or enforce this chapter or
- 11 chapter 195D concerning wildlife conservation.
- 12 (q) The department shall prepare and submit an annual
- 13 report on the status of the wildlife revolving fund to the
- 14 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
- 15 each regular session. The report shall include but not be
- 16 limited to:
- 17 (1) The source and application of moneys deposited into
- 18 the fund, including a description of the criteria and
- 19 process used to determine funding priorities;
- 20 (2) A description of programs and activities supported by
- 21 the fund;

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1	(3)	A summary of program highlights and accomplishments;
2		and
3	(4)	A description of future program plans, including
4		specific goals and objectives.
5	(h)	The department shall not make any expenditures from
6	the fund	without first consulting with the game management
7	advisory	commission.
8	<u>(i)</u>	For purposes of this section, "consulting with the
9	game mana	gement advisory commission" means presenting
10	informati	on to the game management advisory commission."
11	SECT	TION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
12	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
13	SECT	TION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

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Report Title:

DLNR; Game Management Advisory Commission; Wildlife Revolving Fund

Description:

Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to use certain moneys received into the Wildlife Revolving Fund for hunting related purposes. Requires DLNR to provide information and notice to the Game Management Advisory Commission before making expenditures from the Revolving Fund. (HB590 HD1)

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