



GOV. MSG. NO. 1245

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
HONOLULU

DAVID Y. IGE  
GOVERNOR

June 30, 2021

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,  
President  
and Members of the Senate  
Thirty First State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki,  
Speaker and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Thirty First State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 30, 2021, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1028 SD1

RELATING TO THE KOKE'E STATE PARK  
ADVISORY COUNCIL  
**ACT 143 (21)**

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

ORIGINAL

Approved by the Governor

ON JUN 30 2021  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2021  
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 143  
H.B. NO. 1028  
S.D. 1

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE KOKE'E STATE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the coronavirus  
2 disease 2019 has had a catastrophic impact on the world economy.  
3 The complexities of dealing with a worldwide health crisis have  
4 added additional layers of uncertainty that may increase the  
5 time needed for recovery. Because of this, the State has  
6 implemented the fiscal biennium 2021-2023 program review to  
7 identify ways to:

- 8           (1) Reduce expenditures;
- 9           (2) Identify programs, functions, and activities for  
10 possible elimination that, although well-intentioned,  
11 are of marginal benefit, low performing, or of lesser  
12 priority; and
- 13           (3) Identify cost-saving opportunities in core and primary  
14 programs and services through tightening program  
15 eligibility, reducing program benefits, improving  
16 efficiency, or shifting costs.



1           The department of land and natural resources, after  
2 thorough review and much scrutiny, has determined that the Koke'e  
3 state park advisory council, established under section 171-8.5,  
4 Hawaii Revised Statutes, to review and assist in updating and  
5 revising the Koke'e state park master plan, has fulfilled its  
6 purpose as the Koke'e state park master plan was completed in  
7 2014. The department of land and natural resources reported  
8 that the Koke'e state park advisory council has not met for over  
9 five years.

10           The purpose of this Act is to repeal section 171-8.5,  
11 Hawaii Revised Statutes, establishing the Koke'e state park  
12 advisory council.

13           SECTION 2. Section 171-8.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
14 repealed.

15           ~~["§171-8.5 Koke'e state park advisory council.] (a)~~  
16 ~~There is established a Koke'e state park advisory council, to be~~  
17 ~~placed within the department of land and natural resources for~~  
18 ~~administrative purposes only. The advisory council shall~~  
19 ~~consist of nine voting members appointed in equal numbers by the~~  
20 ~~governor, the speaker of the house of representatives and the~~



1 ~~president of the senate in accordance with section 26-34, and~~  
2 ~~four ex officio nonvoting members.~~

3 ~~(b) The voting members of the advisory council shall be~~  
4 ~~Kaua'i residents and shall possess general knowledge of at least~~  
5 ~~one of the four strategic areas listed below:~~

6 ~~(1) Education;~~

7 ~~(2) Cultural resources;~~

8 ~~(3) The environment; or~~

9 ~~(4) Native plants, animals, and ecosystems.~~

10 ~~(c) The ex officio nonvoting members shall be as follows:~~

11 ~~(1) A representative of the United States Fish and~~  
12 ~~Wildlife Service;~~

13 ~~(2) A representative of the department of land and natural~~  
14 ~~resources forestry and wildlife division, as~~  
15 ~~designated by the chairperson of the board of land and~~  
16 ~~natural resources;~~

17 ~~(3) A representative of the department of land and natural~~  
18 ~~resources state parks division, as designated by the~~  
19 ~~chairperson of the board of land and natural~~  
20 ~~resources; and~~



1       ~~(4) A representative of the county of Kauai, as designated~~  
2             ~~by the Kauai county council.~~

3       ~~(d) The voting members of the advisory council shall serve~~  
4       ~~not more than two consecutive three year terms, with each term~~  
5       ~~beginning on July 1; provided that the initial terms of the~~  
6       ~~appointed members that commence after June 30, 2008, shall be~~  
7       ~~staggered as follows:~~

8             ~~(1) Three members to serve three year terms;~~

9             ~~(2) Three members to serve two year terms; and~~

10            ~~(3) Three members to serve a one year term.~~

11       ~~For the initial appointments, the governor, the president~~  
12       ~~of the senate, and the speaker of the house of representatives~~  
13       ~~shall designate each of their appointees to serve a one, two, or~~  
14       ~~three year term.~~

15       ~~(e) The members of the advisory council shall not receive~~  
16       ~~compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for~~  
17       ~~expenses, including travel expenses, incurred in their duties~~  
18       ~~relating to the council.~~

19       ~~(f) A chairperson shall be elected annually by the~~  
20       ~~advisory council from among the council's voting members;~~



1 ~~provided that no member may serve as chairperson for more than~~  
2 ~~two consecutive years.~~

3 ~~(g) Five voting members of the advisory council shall~~  
4 ~~constitute a quorum to do business and any action taken by the~~  
5 ~~advisory council shall be validated by a simple majority of the~~  
6 ~~quorum.~~

7 ~~(h) The advisory council's responsibilities shall include:~~

- 8 ~~(1) Reviewing and assisting in updating and revising the~~  
9 ~~Koke'e state park master plan;~~
- 10 ~~(2) Advising and assisting in the management of the Koke'e~~  
11 ~~recreational cabin leases;~~
- 12 ~~(3) Enhancing community education and cultural awareness~~  
13 ~~of Koke'e state park;~~
- 14 ~~(4) Participating in the protection and preservation of~~  
15 ~~Koke'e state park's natural and cultural resources; and~~
- 16 ~~(5) Advising and assisting in the overall implementation~~  
17 ~~of the Koke'e state park master plan." ]~~

18 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
19 and stricken.

20 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



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APPROVED this 30 day of JUN , 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Ige". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

HB No. 1028, SD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 22, 2021  
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021.



Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker  
House of Representatives



Brian L. Takeshita  
Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives

**THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I**

Date: April 13, 2021  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Third Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai‘i, Regular Session of 2021.

  
President of the Senate

  
Clerk of the Senate