A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that while basic
- 2 department of Hawaiian home land applicant waiting lists are
- 3 available for download on the department's website, the exact
- 4 details of each applicant, including whether the person has
- 5 applied for multiple leases, been denied a prior lease, or been
- 6 skipped over, is not readily accessible, even for department
- 7 staff. Beneficiary records of the department of Hawaiian home
- 8 lands are spread across multiple locations. If a beneficiary
- 9 seeks to determine the beneficiary's status, finding and
- 10 gathering that information can take weeks. This lack of
- 11 organization has led to some lessees abusing the program by
- 12 selling or transferring their leases and reapplying for a
- 13 subsequent lease.
- 14 The legislature further finds that compiling applicant
- 15 information into a single database will help increase the
- 16 efficiency of the department of Hawaiian home lands and reduce
- 17 lease award abuse by lessees.



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         The purpose of this Act is to require the department of
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    Hawaiian home lands to digitize its beneficiary waiting lists
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    and other related data.
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         SECTION 2. The department of Hawaiian home lands, with the
    assistance of the office of enterprise technology services,
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    shall create a digital database of its applicant, beneficiary,
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    and lessee records. The database shall contain relevant
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    information on:
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         (1) Each individual's:
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              (A)
                   Homestead lease application status;
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              (B)
                   Number of applications submitted;
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              (C)
                  Address;
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              (D)
                  Number of denied leases:
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              (E)
                  Designated successors; and
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              (F)
                  History regarding whether the individual obtained
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                   a lease as an applicant or as a successor; and
         (2) Other information as determined by the Hawaiian homes
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              commission.
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- 1 The digital database required by this Act shall be
- 2 completed and available for use by the department of Hawaiian
- 3 home lands no later than July 1, 2022.
- 4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2060.

Report Title:

DHHL; Beneficiary Information; Database; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the department of Hawaiian home lands to digitize its applicant, beneficiary, and lessee records and make the digital database available for use no later than 7/1/2022. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)

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