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A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE IX, SECTION 5, OF THE HAWAII
STATE CONSTITUTION, TO REQUIRE THE STATE TO PRODUCE ENOUGH
HOUSING TO MEET DEMAND.

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

1 SECTION 1. Article IX, section 5, of the Constitution of
2 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:

3 "HOUSING, SLUM CLEARANCE, DEVELOPMENT

4 AND REHABILITATION

5 Section 5. The State shall produce enough housing to meet
6 demand. The legislature shall provide standards and criteria to
7 accomplish the foregoing. The State shall have the power to
8 provide for, or assist in, housing, slum clearance and the
9 development or rehabilitation of substandard areas. The
10 exercise of such power is deemed to be for a public use and
11 purpose."

12 SECTION 2. The question to be printed on the ballot shall
13 be as follows:

14 "Shall the State be required to produce enough housing to
15 meet demand, subject to the standards and criteria provided
16 by the Legislature?"



1 SECTION 3. New constitutional material is underscored.

2 SECTION 4. This amendment shall take effect upon
3 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of
4 the State of Hawaii.

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S.B. NO. 2507

Report Title:

Constitutional Amendment; Housing

Description:

Amends the state constitution to require the State to provide enough housing to meet demand subject to standards and criteria as provided by law.

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