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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,
AND TOURISM.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 201-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "§201-2 General objective, functions, and duties of
4 department. (a) It shall be the objective of the department of
5 business, economic development, and tourism to make broad policy
6 determinations with respect to economic development in the State
7 and to stimulate through research and demonstration projects
8 those industrial and economic development efforts that offer the
9 most immediate promise of expanding the economy of the State.
10 The department shall endeavor to gain an understanding of those
11 functions and activities of other governmental agencies and of
12 private agencies that relate to the field of economic
13 development. It shall, at all times, encourage initiative and
14 creative thinking in harmony with the objectives of the
15 department.



1 (b) The department of business, economic development, and
 2 tourism shall have jurisdiction over state planning under
 3 chapter 225M and the Hawaii State Planning Act under chapter
 4 226. Due to the inherently interdependent functions of
 5 development, planning, and land use, these functions shall not
 6 be transferred by executive order, directive, or memorandum, to
 7 any other department, nor shall these functions be subject to
 8 review or approval by any other department.

9 (c) The department of business, economic development, and
 10 tourism may acquire or contract to acquire by grant or purchase
 11 real, personal, or mixed property or any interest therein; to
 12 clear, improve, and rehabilitate and to sell, assign, exchange,
 13 transfer, convey, lease, or otherwise dispose of or encumber the
 14 same; and acquire property by condemnation pursuant to chapter
 15 101."

16 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

17 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism;
Property Acquisition and Disposition; Condemnation

Description:

Authorizes the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to acquire real, personal, or mixed property; to clear, improve, and rehabilitate and to sell, assign, exchange, transfer, convey, lease, dispose, or encumber the property; and acquire property by condemnation.

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