
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that historic
2 preservation plays a critical role in perpetuating the State's
3 unique history and preservation of the history and cultural
4 practices of Native Hawaiians. Presently, the department of
5 accounting and general services and the state historic
6 preservation division of the department of land and natural
7 resources are tasked with evaluating and enforcing state and
8 federal historic preservation law. However, the department of
9 accounting and general services does not have an internal
10 subject matter expert, and is thereby relying on contractors to
11 complete this crucial work. However, by increasing staffing
12 within the state historic preservation division, the division
13 can improve interdepartmental communication with the department
14 of accounting and general services and between cultural
15 resources management contractors; expedite certain historic
16 preservation mandates with the implementation of an internal



1 historic preservation team; and improve project management and
2 planning for upcoming or pending projects.

3 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
4 funds to the state historic preservation division of the
5 department of land and natural resources for:

- 6 (1) One full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) historic
7 preservation specialist position; and
- 8 (2) Four full-time equivalent (4.0 FTE) archaeologist
9 positions.

10 SECTION 2. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
11 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,
12 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the
13 appropriations contained in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023,
14 and this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure
15 ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by
16 \$ or per cent. This current declaration takes
17 into account general fund appropriations authorized for fiscal
18 year 2024-2025 in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023, and this Act
19 only. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure
20 ceiling are that:



1 (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to
2 serve the public interest; and

3 (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs
4 addressed by this Act.

5 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
7 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for
8 the establishment of four full-time equivalent (4.0 FTE)
9 archaeologist positions and one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE)
10 historic preservation specialist position within the state
11 historic preservation division of the department of land and
12 natural resources; provided that the state historic preservation
13 division shall collaborate with the department of accounting and
14 general services on matters relating to historic preservation.

15 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
16 accounting and general services for the purposes of this Act.

17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.



Report Title:

DAGS; SHPD; Department of Land and Natural Resources; Positions; Archeologist; Historic Preservation Specialist; Expenditure Ceiling; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for the establishment of four full-time equivalent (4.0 FTE) archaeologist positions and one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) historic preservation specialist position within the State Historic Preservation Division; provided that the State Historic Preservation Division collaborates with the Department of Accounting and General Services. Declares that the general fund expenditure ceiling is exceeded. Takes effect 7/1/2112. (SD1)

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