THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024 STATE OF HAWAII

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S.B. NO. ²⁵⁹¹ S.D. 2 H.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BURIAL SITES.

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

1	SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to impose a fine of		
2	\$1,000 on any private landowner who fails to disclose and record		
3	the existence of burial or archaeological sites on their		
4	property to the bureau of conveyances that the landowner knew or		
5	should have known of.		
6	SECTION 2. Chapter 508D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
7	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated		
8	and to read as follows:		
9	" <u>§508D-</u> Failure to disclose or record a burial or		
9 10	" <u>§508D-</u> Failure to disclose or record a burial or archaeological site; penalty. There shall be imposed by a court		
10	archaeological site; penalty. There shall be imposed by a court		
10 11	archaeological site; penalty. There shall be imposed by a court of competent jurisdiction a fine of \$1,000 on any private		
10 11 12	archaeological site; penalty. There shall be imposed by a court of competent jurisdiction a fine of \$1,000 on any private landowner who fails to disclose and record with the bureau of		
10 11 12 13	archaeological site; penalty. There shall be imposed by a court of competent jurisdiction a fine of \$1,000 on any private landowner who fails to disclose and record with the bureau of conveyances, or in documents used to offer real property for		



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1	the Hawai	i historic preservation special fund established under	
2	section 6E-16."		
3	SECTION 3. Section 6E-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
4	amended b	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:	
5	"(a)	There [is] <u>shall be</u> established a Hawaii historic	
6	preservation special fund into which shall be deposited the		
7	following	moneys:	
8	(1)	Appropriations by the legislature to the special fund;	
9	(2)	Gifts, donations, and grants from public agencies and	
10		private persons;	
11	(3)	All proceeds collected by the department derived from	
12		historic preserve user fees, historic preserve leases	
13		or concession fees, fees charged to carry out the	
14		purposes of this chapter, or the sale of goods; [and]	
15	(4)	Civil, criminal, and administrative penalties, fines,	
16		and other charges collected under this chapter or any	
17	·	rule adopted pursuant to this chapter $[-]$; and	
18	(5)	Fines collected under section 508D	
19	All inter	est earned or accrued on moneys deposited in the fund	
20	shall bec	ome part of the fund. The fund shall be administered	
21	by the de	partment; provided that the department may contract	

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with a public or private agency to provide the day-to-day
management of the fund."
SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

Bureau of Conveyances; Burial Sites; Private Property; Landowners

Description:

Imposes a fine on any private landowner that fails to disclose or record with the Bureau of Conveyances, or in documents used to offer real property for sale, the existence of burial or archaeological sites on their property that the landowner knew or should have known of. Requires fines collected to be deposited into the Hawaii Historic Preservation Special Fund. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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