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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE-OWNED HISTORIC PROPERTIES AND INHERITED LANDS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to establish a
2 state-owned historic properties preservation plan working group
3 to:

- 4 (1) Identify all state-owned historic properties and
5 inherited lands;
- 6 (2) Develop a state-owned historic properties preservation
7 plan;
- 8 (3) Identify a permanent funding source to ensure
9 sustainable preservation efforts; and
- 10 (4) Develop frameworks for public-private partnerships
11 that involve lineal descendants, cultural
12 practitioners, and nonprofit organizations.

13 SECTION 2. (a) There is established within the department
14 of land and natural resources a state-owned historic properties
15 preservation plan working group.

16 (b) The working group shall consist of the following
17 members:



- 1 (1) The administrator of the state historic preservation
2 division, who shall serve as chair;
- 3 (2) The chairperson of the board of land and natural
4 resources or the chairperson's designee;
- 5 (3) The chief executive officer of the office of Hawaiian
6 affairs or the chief executive officer's designee;
- 7 (4) The director of the planning department of each county
8 or their designees;
- 9 (5) A cultural practitioner from each county to be
10 nominated by the office of Hawaiian affairs; and
- 11 (6) Any other individuals that the chair may choose to
12 invite.
- 13 (c) The working group shall:
 - 14 (1) Conduct a comprehensive inventory of state-owned
15 historic properties;
 - 16 (2) Evaluate the condition and significance of each state-
17 owned historic property;
 - 18 (3) Create actionable preservation and rehabilitation
19 plans, prioritizing properties at risk;
 - 20 (4) Develop criteria for the allocation of funds;



- 1 (5) Explore and propose permanent funding mechanisms,
2 including new taxes, appropriations by the
3 legislature, grants and donations from public-private
4 partnerships, and revenue from adaptive reuse
5 projects;
- 6 (6) Establish partnerships with lineal descendants,
7 cultural practitioners, and nonprofit organizations;
8 and
- 9 (7) Promote community engagement and stewardship programs.
- 10 (d) The members of the working group shall serve without
11 compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including
12 travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.
- 13 (e) No member of the working group shall be subject to
14 chapter 84, Hawaii Revised Statutes, solely because of the
15 member's participation in the task force.
- 16 (f) The working group shall convene monthly and shall
17 submit an interim report to the legislature every six months;
18 provided that the working group shall also submit a conclusive
19 report of its findings and recommendations, including any
20 proposed legislation, to the legislature prior to the
21 dissolution of the working group, detailing completed



1 inventories and assessments and proposed preservation and
2 funding plans.

3 (g) The working group shall dissolve eighteen months after
4 its establishment.

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

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

DLNR; State Historic Preservation Division; State-Owned Historic Properties Preservation Plan Working Group; Historic Preservation; Reports

Description:

Establishes the State-Owned Historic Properties Preservation Plan Working Group within the Department of Land and Natural Resources to ensure the preservation of state-owned historic properties and inherited lands. Requires reports to the Legislature.

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