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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO IMMIGRATION DETENTION FACILITIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 171, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§171- Immigration detention facility; prohibition. (a)
5 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the department and
6 board shall not dispose of or approve the use or setting aside
7 of public lands for the establishment of any immigration
8 detention facility.

9 (b) No state or county agency shall contract with the
10 United States government for any purpose regarding the
11 establishment of an immigration detention facility on public
12 lands.

13 (c) For the purposes of this section, "immigration
14 detention facility" means a facility to incarcerate individuals
15 as they undergo deportation proceedings to determine whether the
16 individuals will be deported or allowed to remain in the United
17 States."



1 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

BLNR; DLNR; Immigration Detention Facility; Public Land; State and County Agencies; Prohibition

Description:

Prohibits the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Board of Land and Natural Resources from disposing of or approving the use or setting aside of public lands for the establishment of any immigration detention facility. Prohibits state and county agencies from contracting with the federal government for this purpose.

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