A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HAWAII-JAPAN PACIFIC PEACE MONUMENT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that 2025 marks the
- 2 eightieth anniversary of the end of World War II, which impacted
- 3 the people of Hawaii and Japan greatly. However, the
- 4 legislature also finds that through eight decades of determined
- 5 effort, the people of Hawaii and Japan have committed themselves
- 6 to spreading peace throughout the Pacific and have built a
- 7 lasting friendship demonstrating to future generations that
- 8 peace is always possible.
- 9 The purpose of this Act is to:
- 10 (1) Establish the Hawaii-Japan Pacific peace monument as a
- 11 historical and cultural landmark to recognize and
- 12 commemorate the journey towards friendship and peace
- between the people of Hawaii and Japan, and the bright
- future of endless potential of Hawaii and Japan; and
- 15 (2) Appropriate funds for the planning, design, and
- 16 construction of the Hawaii-Japan peace monument.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 6E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended 2 by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately 3 designated and to read as follows: 4 Hawaii-Japan Pacific peace monument. (a) There 5 is established a Hawaii-Japan Pacific peace monument as a 6 historical site on Oahu to recognize and commemorate the journey 7 towards friendship and peace between the people of Hawaii and 8 Japan and the bright future of endless potential of Hawaii and 9 Japan. 10 (b) The monument shall be developed jointly by the state 11 foundation on culture and the arts and appropriate stakeholders 12 representing Hawaii and Japan, and shall be situated on or 13 consist of lands within or adjacent to the East-West center that 14 are determined to be appropriate. The monument shall be used to provide the public with educational opportunities or resources 15 16 and access to spaces for reflection, recreation, and enjoyment 17 of the monument." 18 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the works of art 19 special fund the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be 20 necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the same sum or so much 21 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2026-2027 for the

- 1 planning, design, and construction of the Hawaii-Japan Pacific
- peace monument.
- 3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the state
- 4 foundation on culture and the arts for the purposes of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.

Report Title:

SFCA; Hawaii-Japan Pacific Peace Monument; Works of Art Special Fund; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes a Hawaii-Japan Pacific Peace Monument to be developed by the State Foundation on Culture and appropriate stakeholders representing Hawaii and Japan. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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