
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 peace throughout the Pacific and have built a lasting
7 friendship demonstrating to future generations that peace is
8 always possible.

9 The purpose of this Act is to establish the Hawaii-Japan
10 Pacific peace monument as a historical and cultural landmark to
11 recognize and commemorate the journey towards friendship and
12 peace between the people of Hawaii and Japan, and the bright
13 future of endless potential of Hawaii and Japan.

14 SECTION 2. Chapter 6E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
15 by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately
16 designated and to read as follows:



1 "§6E- Hawaii-Japan Pacific peace monument. (a) There
2 is established a Hawaii-Japan Pacific peace monument as a
3 historical site on Oahu to recognize and commemorate the journey
4 towards friendship and peace between the people of Hawaii and
5 Japan and the bright future of endless potential of Hawaii and
6 Japan.

7 (b) The monument shall be developed jointly by the state
8 foundation on culture and the arts and appropriate stakeholders
9 representing Hawaii and Japan, and shall consist of those lands
10 within or adjacent to the East-West center that are determined
11 to be appropriate. The monument shall be used to increase
12 public access for education and for reflection, recreation, and
13 enjoyment of the monument."

14 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the works of art
15 special fund the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be
16 necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the same sum or so much
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2026-2027 for the
18 planning, design, and construction of the Hawaii-Japan Pacific
19 peace monument.

20 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the state
21 foundation on culture and the arts for the purposes of this Act.



- 1 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
- 2 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



S.B. NO. 1581 S.D. 1

Report Title:

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

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 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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