
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE KANEHILI COMMUNITY HALE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Kanehili
2 homestead community has initiated the development of a
3 multi-phase community complex that will include a community
4 hale, a lanai, an imu station, a craft hale, and a multi-sport
5 court for pickleball, basketball, and volleyball. This facility
6 is designed to support the Kanehili homestead community's
7 cultural, educational, and recreational needs, empowering
8 residents and fostering a stronger sense of community cohesion.

9 The legislature further finds that the community hale will
10 serve as a cornerstone of this complex, providing a dedicated
11 space to practice and celebrate Hawaiian culture, host
12 educational programs, and support community-based initiatives
13 aligned with the principles of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act
14 of 1920, as amended. The estimated cost of the community hale
15 is \$15,000,000, including a new access road and parking lot,
16 with the community committed to raising the remaining funds for
17 the broader complex through direct fundraising efforts. The



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legislature acknowledges that this appropriation underscores the community's dedication to self-determination.

Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds for appropriation to the department of Hawaiian home lands for a capital improvement project to construct the Kanehili community hale and related infrastructure at the Kanehili homestead.

SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$15,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2026-2027 for the purpose of financing a capital improvement project as follows:

1. To be expended by the department of Hawaiian home lands:

A. Kanehili homestead, Oahu

Construction of a community
hale, a new access road,
and a parking lot.

Construction	\$15,000,000
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Total funding	\$15,000,000
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1 SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital
2 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at
3 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is
4 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
5 unencumbered as of June 30, 2028, shall lapse as of that date.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriates funds to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands for a capital improvement project for the construction of the Kanehili community hale, a new access road, and a parking lot at the Kanehili homestead.

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