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H. B. 131.

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Transfer of the Soil Conservation Function and Amending Chapter 14A of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as Amended.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 14A-20 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

(a) The fifth paragraph is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The department shall manage and administer the public lands of the State and the water resources and minerals thereon, including the soil conservation function; shall manage and administer the forest, fish and game resources of the State; and manage the forest reserve and state parks, including historical sites."

(b) The last paragraph is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The function and authority heretofore exercised by the commissioner and board of public lands (including the hydrography division and bureau of conveyances), the Hawaii water authority, the commission on ground-water resources, the Hawaii land development authority, the soil conservation committee and the commission on historical sites and the function of managing the state parks and the function of promoting the conservation, development and utilization of forest, including the regulatory powers over forest reserve, fish and game resources of the State heretofore exercised by the board of commissioners of agriculture and forestry as heretofore constituted are hereby transferred to the department of land and natural resources established by this chapter."

SECTION 2. Section 14A-21 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

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- (a) By deleting the words and comma "soil conservation," from the fifth paragraph thereof.
- (b) By deleting the words "the Hawaii soil conservation committee and" from the last paragraph thereof.

SECTION 3. Upon the transfer of functions of any previously existing department, office or other agency as provided by this Act, all records, equipment, files, supplies, contracts, books, papers, documents, maps, appropriations and other property theretofore made, used, acquired or held by any such previously existing department, office or agency in the exercise of the functions transferred shall be transferred under the direction of the governor to the department succeeding to such functions.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved May 29, 1967.)