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H.B. NO. 1134

A Bill for an Act Relating to Coastal Zone Management.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the problems of maintaining the quality of Hawaii's coastal areas are unique. Because the State is made up of small islands, it is difficult to distinguish coastal from noncoastal activities. Human and nonhuman activities conducted in inland forest reserves can result in erosion of public lands, nonpoint source water pollution, and siltation in coastal areas.

The legislature finds that there is an urgent need to develop a comprehensive approach to protecting Hawaii's coastal areas from nonpoint source pollution, siltation, and erosion. Extending the inland boundaries by removing the existing exclusion of state forest reserves from the coastal zone management area would allow for greater control over these impacts.

SECTION 2. Section 205A-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending the definition of "coastal zone management area" to read:

““Coastal zone management area” means all [marine waters extending from the upper reaches of the washes¹ of the waves on shore seaward] lands of the State and the area extending seaward from the shoreline to the limit of the State's police power and management authority, including the United States territorial sea [and all land areas excluding those lands designated as state forest reserves];”

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SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 7, 1993.)

Note

1. Prior to amendment "wash" appeared here.