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H.B. NO. 2604

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Acquisition of Real Property.

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

SECTION 1. Section 171-30, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) The board of land and natural resources shall have the exclusive responsibility, except as provided herein, of acquiring, including by way of dedications:

(1) All real property or any interest therein and the improvements thereon, if any, required by the State for public purposes, including real property together with improvements, if any, in excess of that needed for such public use in cases where small remnants would otherwise be left or where other justifiable cause necessitates the acquisition to protect and preserve the contemplated improvements, or public policy demands the acquisition in connection with such improvements.

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(2) Encumbrances, in the form of leases, licenses, or otherwise on public lands, needed by any state department or agency for public purposes or for the disposition for houselots or for economic development.

The board shall upon the request of and with the funds from the state department or agency effectuate all acquisitions as provided under this section.

The acceptance by the territorial legislature or the legislature of a dedication of land in the Kakaako community development district by a private owner is sufficient to convey title to the State."

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Became law on July 11, 2016, without the governor's signature, pursuant to Art. III, §16, State Constitution.)