
A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE HAWAII CAPITAL CULTURAL
DISTRICT.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the No. 1 Capitol
2 District Building (Hemmeter building) is located in the Hawaii
3 capital cultural district at 250 South Hotel street, Honolulu,
4 Hawaii, 96813, and is the home of the Hawaii state art museum
5 (HiSAM), as well as a number of state government agencies.

6 HiSAM currently occupies 12,000 square feet in three
7 galleries, and amenities include an extensively used
8 multipurpose room, a volunteer resource room, a small
9 kitchenette, and leased spaces for the Downtown @ the HiSAM cafe
10 and museum gift shop.

11 The purpose of this Act is to establish a task force to
12 review the current operations of the HiSAM, and its long-range
13 plans for operations and growth, with respect to HiSAM's
14 location in the Hemmeter building, located in the Hawaii capital
15 cultural district.

16 SECTION 2. (a) There is established the Hawaii capital
17 cultural district task force within the state foundation on



1 culture and the arts for administrative purposes only. The task
2 force shall comprise the following:

- 3 (1) Two members appointed by the president of the senate;
4 provided that one member shall be from the arts
5 community;
- 6 (2) Two members appointed by the speaker of the house of
7 representatives; provided that one member shall be
8 from the arts community;
- 9 (3) Two members representing museum organizations;
- 10 (4) The director of business, economic development, and
11 tourism, or the director's designee;
- 12 (5) The executive director of the state foundation on
13 culture and the arts, or the executive director's
14 designee;
- 15 (6) The comptroller or the comptroller's designee; and
- 16 (7) A member representing the University of Hawaii's
17 department of art and art history.

18 The executive director of the state foundation on culture and
19 the arts shall serve as the chair of the task force.

20 (b) The task force shall review the current operations of
21 the Hawaii state art museum, and its long range plans for
22 operations and growth, with respect to the museum's location in



1 the No. 1 Capitol District Building (Hemmeter building), located
2 in the Hawaii capital cultural district.

3 The task force shall consider, but not be limited to:

- 4 (1) All relevant information on the first five years of
5 the museum's development and operation, including
6 issues such as inadequate room for ongoing workshops,
7 docent training, and expansion of amenities for the
8 visitor's center;
- 9 (2) Planning updates to address the need for storage areas
10 for the cafe and gift shop that were not part of the
11 original planning;
- 12 (3) Current and future staffing, both personnel and space;
- 13 (4) Gallery space, both temporary and permanent, and
14 storage for works of art not on display;
- 15 (5) Additional programming and facilities management space
16 needs;
- 17 (6) The tax exempt status of the No. 1 Capitol District
18 Building and how this may impact use of the building;
19 and
- 20 (7) Any other issues or concerns that may arise.

21 In reviewing these and any other issues that the task force
22 deems appropriate, the task force shall consider how the museum



1 will further enhance the Hawaii capital cultural district as a
2 cultural tourism destination for visitors and a historical and
3 educational center for residents, particularly Hawaii's youth.

4 (c) The task force shall report no later than twenty days
5 prior to the convening of the regular session of 2009 on its
6 findings and recommendations.

7 (d) The task force shall cease to operate on June 30,
8 2009.

9 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the
12 review of the current operations of the Hawaii state art museum,
13 and its long-range plans for operations and growth, with respect
14 to the museum's location in the No. 1 Capitol District Building
15 (Hemmeter building), located in the Hawaii capital cultural
16 district.

17 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the state
18 foundation on culture and the arts for the purposes of this Act.

19 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.



Report Title:

Hawaii Capital Cultural District; No. 1 Capitol District
Building; Task Force; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes the Hawaii Capital Cultural District Task Force to review the current operations of the Hawaii State Art Buseum and its long range plans for operations and growth, with respect to the museum's location in the No. 1 Capitol District Building located in the Hawaii Capital Cultural District; appropriates funds to the SFCA for the work of the task force; requires a report to the 2009 Legislature; sunsets the task force June 30, 2009. (SB2583 HD1)

