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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LEGACY LAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 173A-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted  
3 and to read as follows:

4 "Commission" means the legacy land conservation  
5 commission."

6 SECTION 2. Section 173A-2.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
7 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

8 "(a) There is established within the department of land  
9 and natural resources a legacy land conservation commission.

10 The commission shall consist of nine members, with at least one  
11 member from each of the counties, who shall be appointed in the  
12 manner and serve for the term set forth in section 26-34 as  
13 follows:

14 (1) Four of the members of the commission shall be persons  
15 possessing scientific qualifications as evidenced by  
16 an academic degree in wildlife or marine biology,  
17 botany, forestry, ecology, resource management,  
18 biogeography, zoology, or geology;



- 1           (2) One member shall be a person possessing membership in
- 2           an environmental organization organized in the State;
- 3           (3) One member shall be a person possessing membership in
- 4           a land conservation organization organized in the
- 5           State;
- 6           (4) One member shall be a person possessing membership in
- 7           a statewide agricultural association; and
- 8           (5) One member shall be a person knowledgeable about
- 9           native Hawaiian culture.

10 The chairperson of the natural area reserves system commission,  
11 or the chairperson's designated representative from the natural  
12 area reserves system commission, shall serve as an ex officio  
13 voting member [~~and the chairperson of the commission~~]. The  
14 members of the commission shall elect the chairperson of the  
15 commission. The members of the commission shall receive no  
16 compensation for their services on the commission but shall be  
17 entitled to reimbursement for necessary expenses, including  
18 travel expenses, incurred in the discharge of their duties."

19           SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
20 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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



**Report Title:**

Legacy Land Conservation Commission

**Description:**

Authorizes the Chairperson of the Natural Area Reserves System Commission to designate a representative from the Natural Area Reserves System Commission to serve on the Legacy Land Conservation Commission and authorizes the members of the Legacy Land Conservation Commission to elect their own chairperson.  
(SB1312 HD1)

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