
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT, 1920, AS AMENDED.

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

1 SECTION 1. The Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as
2 amended, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§ . Community based governance on Hawaiian home
5 lands. It is the policy of the State to support participation
6 in governance by promoting the empowerment of democratically-
7 elected Hawaiian homestead community self-governance
8 organizations.

9 In furtherance of this policy, the commission may establish
10 a working relationship with a democratically-elected Hawaiian
11 homestead community self-governance organization to promote
12 community welfare. The commission may establish criteria to
13 determine the boundaries and location of a Hawaiian homestead
14 community and to qualify an organization as a democratically-
15 elected Hawaiian homestead community. Criteria for eligibility
16 shall include but not be limited to the following:

17 (1) The organization and its leadership is a bona fide
18 representative body of native Hawaiian residents,



1 homestead lessees, qualified successors residing
2 within the homestead community, and native Hawaiians
3 who have designated that homestead community as their
4 primary choice of residence with the department of
5 Hawaiian home lands and who are awaiting an award of a
6 lease under this Act;

7 (2) The organization is governed by free and fair
8 elections; and

9 (3) The organization demonstrates sufficient capacity to
10 implement any task the commission authorizes the
11 organization to perform or to deliver any service that
12 the department of Hawaiian homelands would otherwise
13 perform or deliver.

14 The commission may contract with and delegate authority to
15 a Hawaiian homestead community self-governance organization to
16 perform governmental services for the homestead community
17 represented by that homestead organization. Any such contract
18 shall include a requirement that the government service shall be
19 performed at a level and quality comparable to the services that
20 would otherwise be provided by the department of Hawaiian home
21 lands.



1 The department of Hawaiian home lands may adopt rules in
2 accordance with chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to
3 implement this section."

4 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Hawaiian Homes Commission Act; Community Based Governance

Description:

Establishes community based governance on Hawaiian home lands.
Effective 07/01/50. (SD1)

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