
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT.

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

1 SECTION 1. As the department of Hawaiian home lands
2 develops various new homestead products, such as multifamily
3 units, rentals, and kupuna housing, to meet the needs of its
4 longest waiting applicants, the ability to suspend certain
5 provisions of title 10 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules can
6 eliminate barriers that have prevented Hawaiian home lands
7 applicants from accepting a homestead lease.

8 This measure targets these applicants who have been on the
9 waiting list for at least twenty years. Any applicant on the
10 waiting list for this period of time has received multiple
11 offers for lease awards, but has not been able to accept the
12 lease.

13 SECTION 2. Section 207, Hawaiian Homes Commission Act,
14 1920, as amended, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read
15 as follows:

16 "(b) The title to lands so leased shall remain in the
17 State. Applications for tracts shall be made to and granted by
18 the department, under such regulations, not in conflict with any



1 provisions of this title, as the department may prescribe. The
2 chairperson of the Hawaiian homes commission, with unanimous
3 consent from the commission, may award a lease to any native
4 Hawaiian with an original application date of not less than
5 twenty years from the date of the approval. The department
6 shall, whenever tracts are available, enter into such a lease
7 with any applicant who, in the opinion of the department, is
8 qualified to perform the conditions of such lease."

9 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050;
11 provided that this Act shall be repealed on June 30, 2017, and
12 section 207, Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended,
13 shall be reenacted in the form in which it read on the day
14 before the effective date of this Act.



Report Title:

Hawaiian Homes Commission Act; Administration

Description:

Allows the chair of the Hawaiian Homes Commission, with unanimous consent of the Commission, to suspend administrative rules for the purpose of awarding a lease to a native Hawaiian who has been on the waitlist for at least twenty years. Repeals June 30, 2017. Effective July 1, 2050. (SB2793 HD1)

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