
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING URBAN GARDENING.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the long-term
2 sustainability of the State depends upon improved uses of land
3 that has already been developed. The legislature also finds
4 that agricultural growth in urban areas contributes
5 significantly to urban sustainability by providing locally-
6 produced agricultural goods, as well as improving the landscape
7 of these areas.

8 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the Hawaii housing
9 finance and development corporation and the Hawaii community
10 development authority to develop programs that provide
11 incentives for the development of housing projects that
12 incorporate urban gardening programs.

13 SECTION 2. Chapter 201H, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
15 and to read as follows:

16 "§201H- Urban gardening programs. Notwithstanding any
17 other provision of law, the corporation may develop programs
18 that provide incentives for the development of housing projects



1 that incorporate urban gardening programs; provided that the
2 college of tropical agriculture and human resources of the
3 University of Hawaii at Manoa shall be consulted regarding best
4 practices in urban gardening, including vertical gardening,
5 aquaponics, and community gardening."

6 SECTION 3. Chapter 206E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
8 and to read as follows:

9 "§206E- Urban gardening programs. Notwithstanding any
10 other provision of law, the authority may develop programs that
11 provide incentives for the development of housing projects that
12 incorporate urban gardening programs; provided that the college
13 of tropical agriculture and human resources of the University of
14 Hawaii at Manoa shall be consulted regarding best practices in
15 urban gardening, including vertical gardening, aquaponics, and
16 community gardening."

17 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Urban Gardening; Housing Projects

Description:

Authorizes the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation and Hawaii Community Development Authority to develop programs that provide incentives for the development of housing projects that incorporate urban gardening programs.
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