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1 Presidential Proclamation 8031 of June 15, 2006 (71 FR 36443)  
2 and the December 8, 2006 memorandum of agreement between the  
3 department, the United States Department of Interior, United  
4 States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the United States  
5 Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
6 Administration."

7 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: 

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**Report Title:**

Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument

**Description:**

Recognizes the State's role in co-managing the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument in the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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## JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Land and Natural Resources

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE  
PAPAHANAUMOKUAKEA MARINE NATIONAL MONUMENT.

PURPOSE: To recognize the State's role in co-managing  
the Papahanaumokuakea Marine National  
Monument (Monument) in the Hawaii Revised  
Statutes (HRS).

MEANS: Add a new chapter to the HRS.

JUSTIFICATION: The Monument, since 2006, has been  
co-managed by the United States Department  
of Commerce, National Oceanic and  
Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the  
United States Department of the Interior,  
United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and  
the Department of Land and Natural Resources  
in conjunction with the Office of Hawaiian  
Affairs (per the Presidential Proclamation  
8031 and the Memorandum of Agreement between  
the parties entitled "Promoting Coordinated  
Management of the Northwestern Hawaiian  
Islands Marine National Monument" signed  
December 8, 2006). When this co-management  
arrangement was entered into, the State did  
not give up any jurisdiction, authority, or  
responsibility to manage state lands and  
resources within sanctuary boundaries.  
However, the Monument, and the State's co-  
management program, has never been formally  
codified under state law.

This bill seeks to ensure the State's  
commitment to co-management over the long-  
term, by promoting and protecting state  
interests and enhancing the management of  
our unique marine resources.

Impact on the public: The general public  
would benefit from the State's commitment to  
co-manage the Monument's resources into  
perpetuity.

Impact on the department and other agencies:  
None.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM  
DESIGNATION: LNR 906.

OTHER AFFECTED  
AGENCIES: National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
Administration.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.