
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SURPLUS MILITARY LAND.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that many properties in
2 the State are under federal ownership or control and are being,
3 or have been, used as military facilities. This use has
4 resulted in contamination to the water and soil on and adjacent
5 to many of these properties, or created hazards, such as from
6 the presence of unexploded ordnance.

7 The upcoming expiration of land leases between the State
8 and the United States federal government and the return to the
9 State of ceded lands requires a proactive approach by the State.

10 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to gather data on
11 federally leased and controlled lands, the condition of these
12 lands, and potential alternative uses of these lands should they
13 be returned to the State.

14 SECTION 2. The office of planning shall submit a report to
15 the legislature, no later than twenty days prior to the
16 convening of the regular session of 2022, containing the
17 following:



- 1 (1) An inventory report to be prepared by the department
2 of land and natural resources on all lands within the
3 State that are leased from the federal government or
4 under federal government control, including
5 information pertaining to lease expiration dates,
6 plans to close any military facilities on those lands,
7 and other relevant information;
- 8 (2) A report from the department of health, in
9 consultation with the Environmental Protection Agency,
10 that identifies any known contaminants or
11 environmental hazards discovered on the lands
12 identified pursuant to paragraph (1) or associated
13 with past environmental studies performed in
14 connection with those lands;
- 15 (3) Input from all executive branch departments and
16 agencies on proposed alternative uses for the lands
17 identified pursuant to paragraph (1) that would be
18 consistent with their mission should the land be
19 returned to the State; and



1 (4) Its findings and recommendations based on the
2 information gathered pursuant to paragraphs (1)
3 through (3), including any proposed legislation.

4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3050.



Report Title:

Surplus Military Land; DLNR; DOH; EPA; Office of Planning

Description:

Requires the office of planning to submit a report to the legislature containing: (1) an inventory of lands within the State that are leased or controlled by the federal government; (2) any known contaminants or environmental hazards associated with the inventoried lands based on past environmental studies; (3) input from executive branch departments and agencies on proposed alternative uses for the lands that would be consistent with their mission should the lands be returned to the State; and (4) its findings and recommendations, including proposed legislation, based on this information. Effective 7/1/3050.
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