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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE KAIWI COAST.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the lands of the  
2 Kaiwi coast are an invaluable natural asset for the people of  
3 Hawaii. Numerous community members and organizations have  
4 fought long and hard over many decades to protect and preserve  
5 this unspoiled area for future generations, including preserving  
6 land and working together to establish the Maunalua-Makapuu  
7 scenic byway.

8           The legislature further finds that a growing interest in  
9 this area of Oahu has brought a rapid increase in visitors to  
10 the Kaiwi coast. Dangerous conflict between vehicles,  
11 pedestrians, and people on bicycles along the highway is  
12 increasing the risk of regular injury and death.

13           Collaboration between community organizations and  
14 government agencies is necessary to address myriad issues, such  
15 as ensuring safety, managing human impacts, preventing invasive  
16 species, and restoring the local ecosystem.



1           Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to enhance the  
2 Maunalua-Makapuu scenic byway and protect and preserve the lands  
3 of the Kaiwi coast in perpetuity by establishing the Kaiwi coast  
4 state park so the area can be properly protected and managed for  
5 the benefit of residents and future generations.

6           SECTION 2. Chapter 184, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
7 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately  
8 designated and to read as follows:

9           "§184-       Kaiwi coast state park. (a) All land within or  
10 added to Kaiwi coast state park shall be considered for  
11 designation as conservation land.

12           (b) Land in the Kaiwi coast state park shall be preserved  
13 in perpetuity primarily in its wild and natural state.

14           (c) Any land added to the Kaiwi coast state park shall be  
15 subject to this section."

16           SECTION 3. (a) The following tax map key numbers, which  
17 are located within the Kaiwi state scenic shoreline, shall be  
18 designated as a state park under the name "Kaiwi coast state  
19 park":

20           (1) (1)3-9-11:002; and

21           (2) (1)3-9-11:007.



1 The department of land and natural resources shall  
2 administer the foregoing lands pursuant to this section.

3 (b) This Act shall be exempt from the requirements of  
4 section 171-64.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the boundary  
5 amendment requirements of chapter 205, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

6 SECTION 4. The following positions shall be established  
7 within the department of land and natural resources to support  
8 proper land and parks management along the Kaiwi coast and in  
9 other areas, as may be necessary:

- 10 (1) One full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) park caretaker III;
- 11 and
- 12 (2) One full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) interpretive
- 13 technician.

14 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general  
15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
16 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and  
17 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
18 year 2024-2025 for the establishment, planning, and design of  
19 the Kaiwi coast state park and improvements to the  
20 Maunalua-Makapuu scenic byway, including safe pedestrian and  
21 bicycle connectivity; provided that planning and design shall:



1 (1) Build upon and reflect the direction of recent work on  
2 master plans for the Maunalua-Makapuu scenic byway and  
3 Kaiwi state scenic shoreline; and

4 (2) Include staff of the department of transportation and  
5 stakeholders who assisted in the creation of master  
6 plans for the Maunalua-Makapuu scenic byway and Kaiwi  
7 state scenic shoreline, and local community members  
8 who are dedicated to the preservation of the lands of  
9 the Kaiwi state scenic shoreline.

10 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
11 of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 6. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Kaiwi Coast State Park; DLNR; Appropriations

**Description:**

Designates the Kaiwi State Scenic Shoreline and adjacent lands as the Kaiwi Coast State Park. Establishes protection and guidance for land management and funds 2 full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) positions within the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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