A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 279, Session
- 2 Laws of Hawaii 2022, appropriated out of the general revenues of
- 3 the State of Hawaii the sum of \$600,000,000 or so much thereof
- 4 as may be necessary for fiscal year 2021-2022 to provide a
- 5 multi-pronged approach to reducing the over 28,000 applicants on
- 6 the department of Hawaiian home lands waitlist.
- 7 The legislature further finds that Act 279, Session Laws of
- 8 Hawaii 2022, stipulated that any moneys not encumbered for
- 9 specific purposes shall lapse to the general fund on June 30,
- 10 2025. Article VII, section 11 of the State Constitution
- 11 provides that no appropriation shall be for a period exceeding
- 12 three years. This provision therefore permits the encumbrance
- 13 of biennial appropriations one year beyond the biennial period,
- 14 so no later than June 30, 2024, for the fiscal biennium
- 15 2021-2023. Accordingly, only unencumbered funds appropriated by
- 16 Act 279 will lapse on June 30, 2024. The purpose of this Act is
- 17 to make a new appropriation of general funds for fiscal year



- 1 2024-2025 to make up for any Act 279 funds that lapse on
- 2 June 30, 2024, in order to give practical effect to the
- 3 legislature's intent for the appropriation in Act 279.
- 4 SECTION 2. Act 279, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, is
- 5 amended by amending section 6 to read as follows:
- 6 "SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general
- 7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$600,000,000 or so
- 8 much there of as may be necessary for fiscal year 2021-2022 for
- 9 the purposes of this Act; provided that any moneys not expended
- 10 or encumbered for specific purposes shall lapse to the general
- 11 fund on June 30, [2025.] <u>2024.</u>
- 12 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 13 Hawaiian home lands for the purposes of this Act."
- 14 SECTION 3. 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 2024-2025. The
- 17 sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of Hawaiian
- 18 home lands for the purposes of Act 279, Session Laws of
- **19** Hawaii 2022.
- 20 SECTION 4. If any provision of this Act, or the
- 21 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held

- 1 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
- 2 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the
- 3 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions
- 4 of this Act are severable.
- 5 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 7 SECTION 6. This Act, upon its approval, shall take effect
- 8 on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; Waitlist; Appropriation

Description:

Gives practical effect to the intent of the Legislature that funds appropriated in Act 279, SLH 2022, be available for expenditure until 6/30/2025. Appropriates moneys. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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