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**Report Title:**

Mauna Kea; MKSOA; UH; Conservation District Use Permit; Transfer; Astronomical Observatories; Lease Transfer; Fee Transfer; BLNR; DLNR; Continuity of Plans and Administrative Rules; Sovereign Immunity

**Description:**

Clarifies the powers of the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority so that it may properly regulate all aspects of land use on Mauna Kea. Part II: Transfers as a matter of law certain real property interests in the Mauna Kea lands to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. Part III: Provides that the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority has sole power to issue permits and regulate land uses for conservation district lands within the Mauna Kea land area, with certain exceptions. Part IV: Requires the University of Hawaii to transfer the various Mauna Kea astronomical observatory conservation district use permits to the astronomical observatories. Part V: Requires the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority to be the approving authority for proposed uses of the Mauna Kea lands. Part VI: Provides that the existing plans and administrative rules adopted or developed by the University of Hawaii under which Mauna Kea is currently governed remain in effect until plans and administrative rules adopted by the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority take effect. Part VII: Clarifies that the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority has state sovereign immunity.

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE MAUNA KEA STEWARDSHIP AND OVERSIGHT AUTHORITY.

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

1 PART I

2 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that effective  
3 stewardship of Mauna Kea can only occur if the Mauna Kea  
4 stewardship and oversight authority can regulate all aspects of  
5 land use on Mauna Kea to control impacts, foster the coexistence  
6 of users, minimize ground disturbance, and promote sustainable  
7 land uses and practices. Refinements to the law that affirm the  
8 authority's regulatory role will ensure that management of Mauna  
9 Kea continues to embody a paradigm of balance and reciprocity  
10 that protects the mountain's sacred and ecological character,  
11 perpetuates Native Hawaiian traditional and customary rights,  
12 and supports Hawaii's global leadership in astronomy.

13 The legislature recognizes that Mauna Kea is a rare and  
14 extraordinary place that evokes profound cultural, spiritual,  
15 environmental, and scientific significance. The summit region  
16 encompasses fragile ecosystems, important historical and  
17 archaeological sites, and sacred landscapes interwoven into the



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1 fabric of Native Hawaiian identity. At the same time, Mauna  
2 Kea's unique topography and atmospheric conditions have made it  
3 the world's premier site for astronomical research, enabling  
4 countless advancements in humanity's millennia-long yearning to  
5 comprehend the principles, origins, and evolution of the cosmos.

6 The legislature acknowledges that due to this confluence of  
7 significance, decades of tension have arisen over stewardship of  
8 the mauna. In 2022, the legislature established the Mauna Kea  
9 stewardship and oversight authority through Act 255, Session  
10 Laws of Hawaii 2022, to govern Mauna Kea in a more harmonious  
11 and collaborative manner by requiring that the governance be  
12 with mutual stewardship and balance as guiding principles. The  
13 legislature charged the authority to manage Mauna Kea through a  
14 mindset that honors and perpetuates Native Hawaiian cultural  
15 practices, safeguards natural resources, and allows for the  
16 responsible advancement of astronomy while maintaining the  
17 mountain's spiritual, cultural, and environmental integrity.  
18 The legislature believes that the governance provided by the  
19 Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority will bring about  
20 an era of mutually beneficial coexistence between all parties  
21 with interest in Mauna Kea.





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1 the lands of Mauna Kea to the Mauna Kea stewardship and  
2 oversight authority on July 1, 2028, shall occur as a matter of  
3 law.

4 SECTION 3. (a) In accordance with the intent of Act 255,  
5 Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, all interests to the parcels of  
6 land described in subsection (c), together with the existing  
7 improvements thereon for which the State of Hawaii holds as fee  
8 owner or lessor are conveyed by the State of Hawaii to the Mauna  
9 Kea stewardship and oversight authority as grantee, as is, where  
10 is, as a matter of law. The Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
11 authority shall accept the fee and lessor interests in the  
12 properties in their existing condition; provided that any  
13 existing claims or liability that exists, may have existed, or  
14 may exist in the future regarding any injury, loss, cost,  
15 damage, or liability, including reasonable attorneys' fees,  
16 concerning the physical, environmental, soil, economic, and  
17 legal conditions of the properties, shall not be transferred to  
18 the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority. All claims  
19 and liabilities against the State and its agencies, if any, that  
20 exist, may have existed, or may exist in the future, regarding  
21 any injury, loss, cost, damage, or liability, including



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1 reasonable attorneys' fees, concerning the physical,  
2 environmental, soil, economic, and legal conditions of the  
3 properties, is released, waived, and extinguished.

4 (b) In accordance with the intent of Act 255, Session Laws  
5 of Hawaii 2022, all interests to the parcels of land described  
6 in subsection (c), together with the existing improvements  
7 thereon for which the university of Hawaii holds as lessee are  
8 conveyed by the university of Hawaii to the Mauna Kea  
9 stewardship and oversight authority as grantee, as is, where is,  
10 as a matter of law; provided that this conveyance shall not  
11 apply to the conservation district use permits transferred under  
12 section 7(e) and (f) of Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, as  
13 amended by this Act. The Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
14 authority shall accept the lessee interests in the properties in  
15 their existing condition; provided that any existing claims or  
16 liability that exists, may have existed, or may exist in the  
17 future regarding any injury, loss, cost, damage, or liability,  
18 including reasonable attorneys' fees, concerning the physical,  
19 environmental, soil, economic, and legal conditions of the  
20 properties, shall not be transferred to the Mauna Kea  
21 stewardship and oversight authority. All claims and liabilities



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1 against the State and its agencies, if any, that exist, may have  
2 existed, or may exist in the future, regarding any injury, loss,  
3 cost, damage, or liability, including reasonable attorneys'  
4 fees, concerning the physical, environmental, soil, economic,  
5 and legal conditions of the properties, shall be released,  
6 waived, and extinguished.

7 (c) Parcels to be conveyed by the department of land and  
8 natural resources to the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
9 authority, identified by tax map key number, are as follows:

10 (1) (3) 4-4-015:009;

11 (2) (3) 4-4-015:010; and

12 (3) (3) 4-4-015:012.

13 (d) As these are conveyances in which the State and its  
14 agencies are the only parties, the tax imposed by section 247-1,  
15 Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall not apply.

16 (e) As used in this section, "agency" has the same meaning  
17 as in section 37-62, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

18 SECTION 4. The department of land and natural resources  
19 and the department of the attorney general, after consulting  
20 with the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority, shall  
21 complete any conveyances and amend any references to reflect the



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1 appropriate parties as may be necessary to effectuate section 3  
2 of this part not later than June 30, 2028.

3 PART III

4 SECTION 5. The purpose of this part is to explicitly  
5 establish that, following the end of the transition period  
6 pursuant to section 195H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Mauna  
7 Kea stewardship and oversight authority may issue permits and  
8 regulate land uses for conservation district lands within the  
9 Mauna Kea land area, except in cases in which the authority is  
10 the permit applicant or permittee.

11 SECTION 6. Section 183C-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
12 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted  
13 and to read as follows:

14 "Mauna Kea land area" has the same meaning as in  
15 section 195H-2."

16 SECTION 7. Section 183C-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18 **"§183C-6 Permits and site plan approvals.** (a) [The]  
19 Except as provided in subsection (f), the department shall  
20 regulate land use in the conservation district by the issuance  
21 of permits.



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1           (b) The department shall render a decision on a completed  
2 application for a permit within one hundred eighty days of its  
3 acceptance by the department. If within one hundred eighty days  
4 after acceptance of a completed application for a permit, the  
5 department shall fail to give notice, hold a hearing, and render  
6 a decision, the owner may automatically put the owner's land to  
7 the use or uses requested in the owner's application. When an  
8 environmental impact statement is required pursuant to  
9 chapter 343, or when a contested case hearing is requested  
10 pursuant to chapter 91, the one hundred eighty days shall be  
11 extended an additional ninety days beyond the time necessary to  
12 complete the requirements of chapter 343 or chapter 91. Any  
13 request for additional extensions by the applicant shall be  
14 subject to the approval of the board.

15           (c) The department shall hold a public hearing in every  
16 case involving the proposed use of land for commercial purposes,  
17 at which hearing interested persons shall be afforded a  
18 reasonable opportunity to be heard. Public notice of the time  
19 and place of the hearing shall be given at least once statewide  
20 and in the county in which the property is located. The notice  
21 shall be given not less than twenty days prior to the date set



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1 for the hearing. The hearing shall be held in the county in  
2 which the land is located and may be delegated to an agent or  
3 representative of the board as may otherwise be provided by law  
4 and in accordance with rules adopted by the board. For the  
5 purposes of its public hearing or hearings, the department shall  
6 have the power to summon witnesses, administer oaths, and  
7 require the giving of testimony. As used in this subsection,  
8 the term "commercial purposes" shall not include the use of land  
9 for utility purposes.

10 (d) The department shall regulate the construction,  
11 reconstruction, demolition, or alteration of any structure,  
12 building, or facility by the issuance of site plan approvals.

13 (e) Any permit for the reconstruction, restoration,  
14 repair, or use of any Hawaiian fishpond exempted from the  
15 requirements of chapter 343 under section 183B-2 shall provide  
16 for compliance with the conditions of section 183B-2.

17 (f) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the  
18 contrary, and except for permit applications in which the Mauna  
19 Kea stewardship and oversight authority is the permit applicant  
20 pursuant to subsection (g), following the end of the transition  
21 period pursuant to section 195H-6, the Mauna Kea stewardship and



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1 oversight authority shall have the sole authority to issue  
2 permits and regulate land uses pursuant to this chapter for all  
3 conservation district lands within the Mauna Kea land area;  
4 provided that the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority  
5 may enter into a memorandum of agreement with the department,  
6 under which the department shall receive, conduct analyses, make  
7 recommendations, and perform any and all other functions for the  
8 authority that the department would typically perform for the  
9 board; provided further that the department shall forward the  
10 processed applications, analyses, and recommendations to the  
11 authority to make final decisions to approve or deny the  
12 applications.

13 (g) Notwithstanding subsection (f), if the Mauna Kea  
14 stewardship and oversight authority is the applicant for a  
15 conservation district use permit or permittee, the board shall  
16 retain its authority to issue permits under this section and  
17 regulate land uses as provided under this chapter for the land  
18 under the authority's control that is subject to the permit."

19 SECTION 8. Section 195H-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
20 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:



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1           "(b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, all powers  
2 and duties of the board of land and natural resources pursuant  
3 to [~~chapter~~] chapters 171[7] and 183C, and the land use  
4 commission pursuant to chapter 205, concerning permits,  
5 dispositions, land use approvals, and any other approvals  
6 pertaining to the Mauna Kea lands are transferred to the  
7 authority upon the expiration of the transition period; provided  
8 that the transfer of such powers and duties from the board of  
9 land and natural resources and the land use commission may occur  
10 earlier, upon approval of the authority, the board of land and  
11 natural resources, and the land use commission. Upon the  
12 expiration of the transition period, the authority shall carry  
13 out the powers and duties otherwise conferred upon the board of  
14 land and natural resources pursuant to [~~chapter~~] chapters 171[7]  
15 and 183C, and the land use commission pursuant to chapter 205,  
16 with regard to permits, dispositions, land use approvals, and  
17 any other approvals pertaining to the Mauna Kea lands[~~-~~];  
18 provided that if the authority is the applicant for a  
19 conservation district use permit or permittee, the board of land  
20 and natural resources shall retain its authority to issue the  
21 conservation district use permit under this section and regulate



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1 land uses as provided under chapter 183C for the land under the  
2 authority's control that is subject to the permit."

3 PART IV

4 SECTION 9. The purpose of this part is to require the  
5 university of Hawaii to negotiate for the transfer of the  
6 various astronomical observatory conservation district use  
7 permits to the applicable astronomical observatories so that  
8 when governance by the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
9 authority begins, the authority will not be in conflict.

10 SECTION 10. Act 255 Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, is  
11 amended by amending section 7 to read as follows:

12 "SECTION 7. (a) On July 1, 2028, all rights, powers,  
13 functions, and duties of the [~~University~~] university of Hawaii  
14 relating to the powers and responsibilities granted to the Mauna  
15 Kea stewardship and oversight authority under part I of this Act  
16 are transferred to the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
17 authority.

18 (b) Notwithstanding the transfer of all rights, powers,  
19 functions, and duties pursuant to subsection (a), the state  
20 lease by and between the board of land and natural resources and  
21 the [~~University~~] university of Hawaii entered into on June 21,



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1 1968, as General Lease S-4191, as amended on September 21, 1999,  
2 as General Lease S-5529, shall remain in full force and effect  
3 until its expiration unless otherwise specifically amended  
4 pursuant to an agreement by the Mauna Kea stewardship and  
5 oversight authority and the [~~University~~] university of Hawaii.

6 (c) Upon the assignment of all rights, powers, and duties  
7 of the [~~University~~] university of Hawaii to the Mauna Kea  
8 stewardship and oversight authority pursuant to subsection (a),  
9 the university of Hawaii shall be released from any and all  
10 obligations under the state lease by and between the board of  
11 land and natural resources and the [~~University~~] university of  
12 Hawaii entered into on June 21, 1968, as General Lease S-4191,  
13 as amended on September 21, 1999, as General Lease S-5529, and  
14 any conservation district use application permits appertaining  
15 thereto, unless otherwise specifically agreed upon pursuant to  
16 an agreement by the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
17 authority and the [~~University~~] university of Hawaii; provided  
18 that the transfer and release authorized under this subsection  
19 shall not apply to any litigation pending on June 30, 2028,  
20 relating to General Lease S-4191, as amended on September 21,  
21 1999, as General Lease S-5529, or any conservation district use



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1 application permit appertaining thereto, to which the  
2 [~~University~~] university of Hawaii is a party.

3 (d) Notwithstanding subsection (b) or any action that is a  
4 consequence of this Act, including a merger of interests,  
5 effective July 1, 2028, every reference to the department of  
6 land and natural resources, board of land and natural resources,  
7 or the chairperson of the board of land and natural resources in  
8 those deeds, leases, subleases, contracts, loans, agreements,  
9 permits, or other documents relating to Mauna Kea lands shall be  
10 construed as a reference to the Mauna Kea stewardship and  
11 oversight authority or the chairperson of the authority, as  
12 appropriate; provided that all deeds, leases, subleases,  
13 contracts, loans, agreements, permits, or other documents  
14 executed or entered into prior to the effective date of this  
15 Act, by or on behalf of the department of land and natural  
16 resources or the board of land and natural resources pursuant to  
17 the Hawaii Revised Statutes that are reenacted or made  
18 applicable to the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority  
19 by this Act, shall remain in full force and effect until its  
20 expiration unless otherwise specifically amended pursuant to an



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1 agreement by the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority  
2 and the [~~University~~] university of Hawaii.

3 (e) The university of Hawaii shall transfer the applicable  
4 conservation district use permit and its rights and obligations  
5 under the permit to each astronomical observatory, subject to  
6 terms approved by the president of the university of Hawaii and  
7 the receiving astronomical observatory; provided that, prior to  
8 the transfer required under this subsection, the university of  
9 Hawaii shall not amend the terms and conditions of any permit  
10 subject to this subsection. Since the terms and conditions of  
11 each conservation district use permit transferred pursuant to  
12 this subsection will not be amended, the transfer of any  
13 conservation district use permit that existed prior to the  
14 effective date of this Act to an astronomical observatory under  
15 this subsection shall not be subject to any additional  
16 regulatory requirement, including any requirement under chapter  
17 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

18 For purposes of this subsection, "applicable conservation  
19 district use permit" means the conservation district use permit  
20 in effect at the time of transfer, applicable to the receiving



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1 astronomical observatory, and to which the university of Hawaii  
2 is the named permittee or other named party.

3 (f) Notwithstanding subsections (a) through (d) to the  
4 contrary, the following conservation district use permits in  
5 effect as of July 1, 2028, to which the university of Hawaii has  
6 not completed the transfer under subsection (e), shall not be  
7 transferred to the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
8 authority:

- 9 (1) Conservation district use permit 0954  
10 (Air Force Telescope, Planetary Patrol Telescope,  
11 2.2 Meter Telescope);
- 12 (2) Conservation district use permit 1515  
13 (James Clerk Maxwell Telescope);
- 14 (3) Conservation district use permit 0653  
15 (United Kingdom Infrared Telescope);
- 16 (4) Conservation district use permit 0527  
17 (Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope);
- 18 (5) Conservation district use permit 1492  
19 (Caltech Submillimeter Observatory);
- 20 (6) Conservation district use permit 2691 (Gemini North);



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- 1        (7) Conservation district use permit 2462  
2                (Subaru Telescope);
- 3        (8) Conservation district use permit 2728  
4                (Submillimeter Array);
- 5        (9) Conservation district use permit 3568  
6                (Thirty Meter Telescope);
- 7        (10) Conservation district use permit 0653  
8                (Infrared Telescope Facility);
- 9        (11) Conservation district use permit 2174  
10               (Very Long Baseline Array);
- 11       (12) Conservation district use permit 1646  
12               (W. M. Keck Observatory I); and
- 13       (13) Conservation district use permit 2509  
14               (W. M. Keck Observatory II).
- 15 The university of Hawaii shall continue to serve as the named  
16 permittee or other named party as provided under the permit  
17 until the permit is transferred to the appropriate astronomical  
18 observatory."



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1 PART V

2 SECTION 11. The purpose of this part is to establish the  
3 Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority as the approving  
4 authority for proposed uses of Mauna Kea lands.

5 SECTION 12. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, upon  
6 the transfer of all rights, powers, functions, and duties of the  
7 university of Hawaii to the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
8 authority pursuant to part II of Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii  
9 2022, title 13, chapter 5, Hawaii Administrative Rules, as  
10 amended, shall remain in effect for lands under the jurisdiction  
11 of the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority until  
12 expressly superseded by the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
13 authority; provided that:

14 (1) Title 13, chapter 5, Hawaii Administrative Rules,  
15 shall apply to lessees under the jurisdiction of the  
16 Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority;

17 (2) For proposed uses made by any lessee in the protective  
18 subzone of lands under the jurisdiction of the Mauna  
19 Kea stewardship and oversight authority for which a  
20 department permit or board permit is required,



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1 including proposed uses under section 13-5-22, Hawaii  
2 Administrative Rules, the terms:

3 (A) "Board" shall mean the Mauna Kea stewardship and  
4 oversight authority;

5 (B) "Board permit" shall mean a permit approved by  
6 the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
7 authority;

8 (C) "Chairperson" shall mean the chairperson of the  
9 Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority;

10 (D) "Department" shall mean the Mauna Kea stewardship  
11 and oversight authority; and

12 (E) "Department permit" shall mean a permit approved  
13 by the chairperson of the Mauna Kea stewardship  
14 and oversight authority; and

15 (3) To supersede any section of title 13, chapter 5,  
16 Hawaii Administrative Rules, the Mauna Kea stewardship  
17 and oversight authority shall adopt a new rule under  
18 chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the new rule  
19 shall state which section of title 13, chapter 5,  
20 Hawaii Administrative Rules, is superseded. The new  
21 rule shall be effective only for lands under the



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1 jurisdiction of the Mauna Kea stewardship and  
2 oversight authority and shall not apply to lands  
3 outside the jurisdiction of the Mauna Kea stewardship  
4 and oversight authority.

## 5 PART VI

6 SECTION 13. The legislature finds that the Mauna Kea  
7 stewardship and oversight authority is currently developing  
8 permanent and detailed master, management, and financial plans;  
9 frameworks for astronomy-related development; and administrative  
10 rules. These documents must be cultivated in a deliberate and  
11 mindful way. However, the legislature also recognizes that  
12 there is limited time before the end of the statutorily  
13 established five-year transition period, after which the Mauna  
14 Kea stewardship and oversight authority will assume full  
15 management of Mauna Kea. Due to these time constraints, the  
16 Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority's permanent plans  
17 and rules may not be formally adopted before the end of the  
18 transition period on July 1, 2028.

19 Accordingly, the purpose of this part is to clarify that  
20 the existing plans and administrative rules under which Mauna  
21 Kea is currently governed shall continue in full force and



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1 effect until a superseding master plan, management plan, or  
2 administrative rules, or any portion thereof, adopted by the  
3 Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority, takes effect.

4 SECTION 14. (a) Notwithstanding section 195H-6(b)(2),  
5 Hawaii Revised Statutes, or any other law to the contrary, the  
6 existing master plan, management plan, and administrative rules  
7 adopted or developed by the university of Hawaii to implement  
8 provisions of the Hawaii Revised Statutes that are:

9 (1) Repealed by part IV of Act 255, Session Laws of Hawaii  
10 2022; or

11 (2) Otherwise reenacted or made applicable to the Mauna  
12 Kea stewardship and oversight authority by Act 255,  
13 Session Laws of Hawaii 2022,

14 shall remain in full force and effect, including times  
15 subsequent to July 1, 2028, until a superseding master plan,  
16 management plan, or administrative rules, or any portion  
17 thereof, adopted by the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight  
18 authority, takes effect. The Mauna Kea stewardship and  
19 oversight authority, when adopting a superseding master plan,  
20 management plan, or administrative rule, or any portion thereof,  
21 shall affirmatively state through a public notice issued in



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1 accordance with section 1-28.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which  
2 existing plan or rule, or portion thereof, is superseded.

3 (b) If the existing master plan, management plan, and  
4 administrative rules adopted or developed by the university of  
5 Hawaii remain in effect after July 1, 2028, every reference to  
6 the university of Hawaii, center for Mauna Kea stewardship,  
7 office of Maunakea management, board of regents, president of  
8 the university of Hawaii, or other similar term in the master  
9 plan, management plan, or administrative rule is amended to  
10 refer to the Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority,  
11 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

## 12 PART VII

13 SECTION 15. The legislature finds that the Mauna Kea  
14 stewardship and oversight authority, as an arm of the State,  
15 should have the same sovereign immunity available to other  
16 administratively attached state agencies.

17 Therefore, the purpose of this part is to clarify that the  
18 Mauna Kea stewardship and oversight authority falls under the  
19 State's sovereign immunity by explicitly making section  
20 26-35(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, applicable to the authority.



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1 SECTION 16. Section 195H-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) There is established the Mauna Kea stewardship and  
4 oversight authority, which shall be a body corporate and a  
5 public instrumentality of the State for the purpose of  
6 implementing this chapter. The authority shall serve jointly  
7 with the University of Hawaii in fulfilling the obligations and  
8 duties under the state lease for a period of five years as  
9 established in section 195H-6. The authority shall be placed  
10 within the department of land and natural resources for  
11 administrative purposes; provided that section [~~26-35~~] 26-35(a)  
12 shall not apply to the authority."

13 PART VIII

14 SECTION 17. This Act does not affect rights and duties  
15 that matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that  
16 were begun before its effective date.

17 SECTION 18. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



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**1** SECTION 19. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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