## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROTECTION OF CAVES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 6D-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 3 "(a) Where the department determines in consultation with 4 the owner that dissemination of knowledge of cave location or 5 resources could be detrimental to their protection, then the 6 government information on the cave location and sensitive 7 resources shall be kept confidential[-], except that the 8 department may disclose the information to the office of 9 Hawaiian affairs, the appropriate island burial council, and 10 recognized lineal descendants of those entombed in burial sites 11 located within the land parcel on which the cave is located." 12 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2112.

and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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## Report Title:

Protection of Caves; Confidentiality

## Description:

Exempts the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, the appropriate Island Burial Council, and recognized lineal descendants of burials located within the land parcel on which the cave is located from confidentiality of cave location or resources. (HB1707 HD1)