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HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION.

JANUARY 9 (calendar day, JANUARY 12), 1923.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. NEW, from the Committee on Territories and Insular Possessions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany S. 4309.]

The Committee on Territories and Insular Possessions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4309) to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide a government for the Territory of Hawaii,' approved April 30, 1900, as amended, to establish an Hawaiian Homes Commission, granting certain powers to the board of harbor commissioners of the Territory of Hawaii, and for other purposes," approved July 9, 1921, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with the recommendation that the bill do pass with the following amendments:

Strike out the word "leave" in line 1, page 2, and insert in lieu thereof the word "lease."

In line 3, page 2, between the word "limits" and the colon, insert the words "per each lessee." Section 1 of this bill amends paragraph (a) of section 207 of the

Section 1 of this bill amends paragraph (a) of section 207 of the Hawaiian homes act by adding a clause authorizing the Hawaiian Homes Commission to lease lots of not less than one-half of an acre to Hawaiians as residence lots. Under the present law the Hawaiian Homes Commission is without authority to lease tracts of less than 20 acres to native Hawaiians, and this amendment authorizes the leasing of tracts of an area of not less than one-half of 1 acre for residence lots. It is the intention of the Hawaiian Homes Commission to subdivide a tract of land in the vicinity of the city of Hilo, island of Hawaii, into residence lots, which tract is unfit for agricultural and pastoral purposes but highly suitable for residence lots.

The amendments provided in section 2 of this bill to section 213 of the Hawaiian homes act are necessary to carry out the intent of this section. Section 213 provides that the entire receipts from the "available lands"—that is the lands set aside for the purposes of the Hawaiian homes act but upon which no settlements have yet been established—shall be turned into the revolving fund, but reference is made to section 212 instead of section 203, which describes the "available lands." The reference to section 212 instead of section 203 was simply an error and this amendment provides for its correction. Section 3 of this bill amends section 215 of the Hawaiian homes

Section 3 of this bill amends section 215 of the Hawaiian homes act by adding a clause limiting the amount of the loan to holders of residence lots to \$1,000. This amendment is made to prevent the Hawaiian Homes Commission from loaning more than \$1,000 to any one occupying a lot purely for residential purposes.

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