



EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
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LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

July 4, 2006

GOV. MSG. NO. **798**

The Honorable Robert Bunda, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 003
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on July 4, 2006, the following bill was signed into law:

SB3078 SD2 HD1 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.
(ACT 267)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Lingle".

LINDA LINGLE

THE SENATE
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2006
STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 3078
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 264, Session
2 Laws of Hawaii 1994, created the agribusiness development
3 corporation. The purpose of the agribusiness development
4 corporation is:

- 5 (1) To administer an aggressive and dynamic agribusiness
6 development program;
- 7 (2) To coordinate and administer programs to assist
8 agricultural enterprises to facilitate the transition
9 of agricultural infrastructure from plantation
10 operations into other agricultural enterprises;
- 11 (3) To carry on marketing analysis to direct agricultural
12 industry evolution; and
- 13 (4) To provide leadership for the development, financing,
14 improvement, or enhancement of agricultural
15 enterprises.

16 One of the responsibilities the legislature tasked this new
17 and dynamic entity with is to create the Hawaii agribusiness
18 plan. The plan's purpose is to define and establish goals,



1 objectives, policies, and priority guidelines for the
2 agribusiness development corporation's agribusiness development
3 strategy. However, this plan was never created.

4 The legislature finds that this plan is of utmost
5 importance, because it will help to guide the agribusiness
6 development corporation and its board of directors in each
7 program it administers. The purpose of this Act is to direct
8 the legislative reference bureau to conduct a study to assist
9 the agribusiness development corporation in identifying elements
10 to be included in the Hawaii agribusiness plan.

11 SECTION 2. The legislative reference bureau shall conduct
12 a study to identify elements that should be included in the
13 Hawaii agribusiness plan. In developing its report, the
14 legislative reference bureau shall:

15 (1) Identify the government agencies involved and
16 stakeholders who may directly benefit from the
17 agribusiness development corporation, including public
18 and private organizations and individuals;

19 (2) Consult with these agencies and stakeholders,
20 including but not be limited to individuals from the
21 department of agriculture, agribusiness development
22 corporation, University of Hawaii college of tropical

1 agriculture and human resources, Hawaii Farm Bureau
2 Federation, and county farm bureaus, as well as
3 organizations of individual farmers and ranchers, as
4 feasible;

5 (3) Obtain suggestions to improve the agribusiness
6 development corporation and identify the necessary
7 elements for developing the Hawaii agribusiness plan;
8 and

9 (4) Submit a report of its findings and recommendations,
10 including any proposed legislation, to the legislature
11 at least twenty days prior to the convening of the
12 regular session of 2007.

13 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

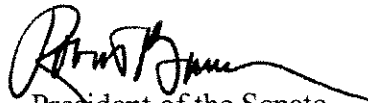
Approved this day: JUL - 4 2006



THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.


President of the Senate


Clerk of the Senate

**THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII**

Date: May 2, 2006
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.


Speaker, House of Representatives


Clerk, House of Representatives