
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. According to the department of land and natural
2 resources alien species have caused substantial damage to
3 Hawaii's environment, economy, natural resources, and native
4 ecosystem.

5 Hawaii has the highest rate of extinction of its native
6 species within the United States and has one of the highest
7 rates of extinction to its native species within the entire
8 world.

9 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to be
10 granted to organizations whose purpose is the eradication of
11 invasive species, the prevention of the spreading of invasive
12 species, and the protection of native species.

13 SECTION 2. Section 150A-4.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

15 "(b) The moneys in the pest inspection, quarantine, and
16 eradication fund shall be expended by the department for [the]:



- 1 (1) The operation of pest inspection, quarantine,
2 eradication, [~~and~~] monitoring programs, and related
3 facilities [~~, and the~~] ;
4 (2) [~~and~~] The execution of emergency remedial measures
5 when pests are detected in the course of inspection
6 and quarantine activities by the department [~~-~~] ; and
7 (3) The issuance of grants to organizations for the
8 purpose of eradicating invasive species, preventing
9 the spread of invasive species, or protecting native
10 species."

11 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
12 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
13 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for
14 deposit into the pest inspection, quarantine, and eradication
15 fund.

16 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the pest
17 inspection, quarantine, and eradication fund the sum of
18 \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
19 year 2008-2009 for the issuance of grants in accordance with
20 section 150A-4.5(b)(3), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

21 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
22 agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

1 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

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Report Title:

Invasive Species Eradication; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to eradicate invasive species and protect native species.

