
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 chapter 180, Hawaii
2 Revised Statutes, allowed for the establishment of soil and
3 water conservation districts as subdivisions of the State to
4 act, educate, construct, maintain, and assist in the development
5 of conservation plans and oversee county grading ordinances.

6 The first soil and water conservation district was
7 established on the island of Maui in 1948, to assist Kula
8 farmers. Since then fifteen other districts have been
9 established, each with up to five board members and any number
10 of associate, nonvoting board members. All board members are
11 nonpaid volunteers serving two-year terms. Together, the
12 sixteen soil and water conservation districts form the Hawaii
13 Association of Conservation Districts.

14 The purpose of this Act is to make an appropriation to fund
15 the Hawaii Association of Conservation Districts in its
16 operational expenses for all of its soil and water conservation
17 districts.



1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 and the
4 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
5 2008-2009 to the Hawaii Association of Conservation Districts
6 for the operation of the soil and water conservation districts.

7 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
8 of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.



Report Title:

Soil and Water Conservation Districts; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Association of Conservation Districts for the operation of the soil and water conservation districts. (SD1)

