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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE MOLOKAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 167-23, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 " ~~[§]~~ §167-23 ~~[§]~~ Molokai irrigation system ~~[water-users~~
4 ~~advisory]~~ governing board; establishment; meetings. (a) There
5 is established a Molokai irrigation system ~~[water-users~~
6 ~~advisory]~~ governing board, to be appointed by the governor under
7 section 26-34. The ~~[advisory]~~ governing board shall consist of
8 ~~[six]~~ eleven members, as follows:

- 9 (1) [A] Six homestead farmer ~~[user]~~ users on Molokai ~~[+]~~,
10 to be nominated to the governor by the Hoolehua
11 Homesteaders Association, Molokai Homestead Farmers
12 Alliance, and Hoolehua Homestead Agriculture
13 Association;
- 14 (2) A nonhomestead farmer user on Molokai;
- 15 (3) The designee (by name rather than office) of the
16 Molokai Farm Bureau;



1 (4) The designee (by name rather than office) of Hikiola
2 Cooperative, Inc.;

3 (5) The designee (by name rather than office) of the
4 Molokai-Lanai soil and water conservation district;
5 and

6 (6) The designee (by name rather than office) of the
7 department of Hawaiian home lands.

8 The members of the [advisory] Molokai irrigation system
9 governing board shall serve without compensation, but shall be
10 entitled to reimbursement for necessary expenses while attending
11 meetings and while in the discharge of their duties. For
12 administrative purposes, and pursuant to section 26-35, the
13 [advisory] Molokai irrigation system governing board shall be
14 placed within the department of agriculture.

15 (b) The [advisory] Molokai irrigation system governing
16 board shall meet with the department of agriculture at least six
17 times each year. The meetings shall be held on Molokai,
18 whenever possible.

19 The [advisory] Molokai irrigation system governing board's
20 duties and responsibilities shall be to [~~advise the department~~
21 ~~on matters of concern to the users of the system,~~] manage the
22 Molokai irrigation system, to provide support for improvements



1 to the irrigation facilities, to participate in the long-range
2 planning of the system, and to act as liaison between the users
3 and the department."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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

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

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Report Title:

Molokai Irrigation System

Description:

Makes Molokai irrigation system water users advisory board a governing board. Increases number of members of the board. Allows nomination from Molokai homestead stakeholder organizations.

