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A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR IRRIGATION SYSTEMS AND RELATING TO
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STATE.

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

1 SECTION 1. A reliable irrigation system is the lifeblood
2 of Hawaii's agricultural industry. To ensure that Hawaii's
3 crops receive a steady and dependable supply of water,
4 sufficient funding is needed to maintain and improve Hawaii's
5 irrigation systems.

6 The purpose of this Act is to:

- 7 (1) Reauthorize funds approved last year for the repair
8 and maintenance of irrigation systems throughout the
9 State; and
- 10 (2) Appropriate funds for capital improvement projects for
11 irrigation systems throughout the State.

12 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
13 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$11,000,000, or so much
14 thereof as may be necessary, and the same sum, or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary, shall be deposited into the
16 irrigation repair and maintenance special fund for the repair
17 and maintenance of irrigation systems as follows:



- 1 (1) \$1,500,000 for the East Kauai irrigation system;
- 2 (2) \$2,000,000 for the Waimanalo irrigation system;
- 3 (3) \$2,500,000 for the Molokai irrigation system;
- 4 (4) \$1,500,000 for the Upcountry Maui irrigation system;
- 5 (5) \$1,000,000 for the Kau irrigation system;
- 6 (6) \$1,000,000 for the Honomalino irrigation system;
- 7 (7) \$1,500,000 for the Wahiawa reservoir and ditch system;
- 8 and
- 9 (8) Other privately-owned irrigation systems on former
- 10 sugarcane and pineapple plantation lands that have
- 11 been converted to diversified agriculture.

12 SECTION 3. There is appropriated, for projects under
13 section 2 of this Act, out of the irrigation repair and
14 maintenance special fund under section 167-24, Hawaii Revised
15 Statutes, the sum of \$11,000,000, or so much thereof as may be
16 necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008. The projects are deemed
17 necessary to qualify for federal aid financing or reimbursement.

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

20 SECTION 4. The director of finance is authorized to issue
21 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$7,036,000, or so much
22 thereof as may be necessary, and the same sum, or so much



1 thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for fiscal year
2 2007-2008, for the repair and maintenance of irrigation systems
3 as follows:

- 4 (1) \$2,336,000 for the East Kauai irrigation system;
- 5 (2) \$500,000 for the Waimanalo irrigation system;
- 6 (3) \$2,500,000 for the Molokai irrigation system; and
- 7 (4) \$1,700,000 for the Lower Hamakua irrigation system.

8 SECTION 5. There is appropriated, for projects under
9 section 4 of this Act, out of the general revenues of the State
10 of Hawaii, the sum of \$7,036,0000, or so much thereof as may be
11 necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008. The projects are deemed
12 necessary to qualify for federal aid financing or reimbursement.

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

15 SECTION 6. The appropriation made for the capital
16 improvement projects authorized in this Act shall not lapse at
17 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriations are
18 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
19 unencumbered as of June 30, 2010, shall lapse as of that date.

20 SECTION 7. The sums appropriated for the respective
21 capital projects set forth in section 3 shall be expended by the
22 department of agriculture for purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Appropriates funds for repair and maintenance of irrigation systems. Authorizes general obligation bonds for capital improvement projects for irrigation systems.

