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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HONEY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to ensure that honey
2 products are recognized by the State as agricultural
3 commodities.

4 SECTION 2. Chapter 147, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5 amended by amending the title of part I to read as follows:

6 **"PART I. FRESH FRUITS [~~AND~~], VEGETABLES,**
7 **NUTS, HONEY, AND COFFEE"**

8 SECTION 3. Section 147-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9 amended as follows:

10 1. By adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
11 and to read:

12 "Raw honey" and "unprocessed honey" means honey that has
13 not been heated above one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit, or
14 filtered through a fine screen of less than one-sixty-fourth
15 inch mesh, or treated with diatomaceous earth, or in any other
16 way that results in the loss of any natural constituent of honey
17 such as plant pollen and enzymes."



1 2. By amending the definition of "agricultural commodity"
2 to read:

3 "Agricultural commodity" means fresh fruits and fresh
4 vegetables of every kind and character, whether or not frozen or
5 packed in ice, whether produced in the State or imported, nuts,
6 and coffee, whether cherry[-] or parchment, or green beans which
7 have been produced in the State[+], and raw unprocessed honey,
8 whether produced in the State or imported."

9 SECTION 4. Chapter 147, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10 amended by amending the title of part II to read as follows:

11 **"PART II. EXPORTS: FRUITS, VEGETABLES,**
12 **NUTS, [AND] COFFEE, AND HONEY"**

13 SECTION 5. Section 147-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended as follows:

15 1. By adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
16 and to read:

17 "Raw honey" and "unprocessed honey" means honey that has
18 not been heated above one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit, or
19 filtered through a fine screen of less than one-sixty-fourth
20 inch mesh, or treated with diatomaceous earth, or in any other
21 way that results in the loss of any natural constituent of honey
22 such as plant pollen and enzymes."



1 2. By amending the definition of "agricultural commodity"
2 to read:

3 "Agricultural commodity" means fruits, vegetable, nuts,
4 [~~and~~] coffee[+], and raw unprocessed honey."

5 SECTION 6. Section 147-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended as follows:

7 1. By adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
8 and to read as follows:

9 "Processed honey" means honey that has been heated above
10 one hundred twenty degrees Fahrenheit, or filtered through a
11 fine screen of less than one-sixty-fourth inch mesh, or treated
12 with diatomaceous earth, or in any other way that results in the
13 loss of any natural constituent of honey such as plant pollen
14 and enzymes."

15 2. By amending the definition of "food product" or
16 "product" to read:

17 "Food product" or "product" means any and all fruits,
18 vegetables, nuts, and coffee, or part or parts thereof, produced
19 and processed within the State, any and all honey produced and
20 processed within the State or imported, and also any and all
21 fish and fishery products processed within the State;"

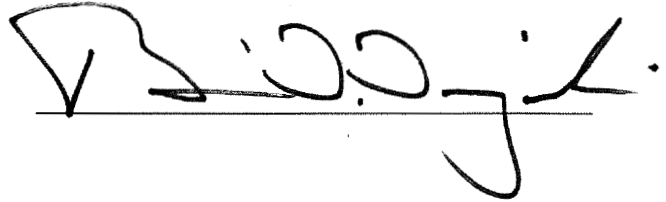


1 SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Honey; Commodity

Description:

Recognizes honey as an agricultural commodity.

