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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAII'I FOR COQUI FROG  
ERADICATION AND CONTROL.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the island of Hawaii  
2 continues to be infested by the invasive species of Caribbean  
3 tree frog, *eleutherodactylus coqui*, more commonly known as the  
4 coqui frog, since its accidental introduction on the island of  
5 Hawaii in the early 1990s. The county of Hawaii, state  
6 department of agriculture, University of Hawaii at Hilo,  
7 University of Hawaii at Manoa, United States Department of  
8 Agriculture Wildlife Services Division, and the National  
9 Wildlife Research Center have formed the coqui frog working  
10 group and have produced the coqui frog working group incident  
11 action plan to combat this invasive species, which focuses on  
12 three primary areas: eradication and control, research, and  
13 community education and support. While the county of Hawaii,  
14 the State, and the federal government have contributed in the  
15 past to this eradication effort, continued assistance is needed  
16 to deal with the coqui frog problem.



1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much  
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 for a  
4 grant-in-aid to the county of Hawaii to support and implement  
5 the coqui frog working group incident action plan.

6 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the county of  
7 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

8 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



**Report Title:**

County of Hawaii; Coqui Frog; Appropriation

**Description:**

Appropriates funds for a grant-in-aid to the County of Hawaii to support and implement the coqui frog working group incident action plan. (HB1179 HD1)

