
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEASUREMENT STANDARDS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to establish a
2 weights and measurements special fund, with the intent of
3 requiring the department of agriculture's measurement standards
4 program to be financially self-supporting.

5 SECTION 2. Chapter 486, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended by adding to part I a new section to be appropriately
7 designated and to read as follows:

8 "§486- Weights and measurements special fund. There is
9 established the weights and measurements special fund to be
10 administered by the board. All moneys received by the board as
11 application fees and for licenses or otherwise under this
12 chapter shall be deposited into the special fund. All interest
13 earned or accrued on moneys deposited in the special fund shall
14 become part of the special fund. Moneys in the special fund
15 shall be expended to cover all costs of administering this
16 chapter, including but not limited to the costs of salaries,
17 fringe benefits, operating expenses, equipment, motor vehicles,
18 contracts for services, and promotional expenses. Moneys in the



1 special fund may be transferred to the general fund for salaries
2 and fringe benefits of other state employees assisting in
3 administering this chapter and other related costs. A reserve
4 shall be maintained in the special fund to cover contingency
5 costs, including accrued vacation leave, unemployment insurance,
6 and workers' compensation."

7 SECTION 3. (a) Between July 1, 2010 and September 30,
8 2010, the board of agriculture shall adopt new or amend existing
9 rules to impose or increase fees authorized to be charged under
10 chapter 486, Hawaii Revised Statutes, without regard to the
11 public notice and public hearing requirements of section 91-3,
12 Hawaii Revised Statutes, or the small business impact review
13 requirements of chapter 201M, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The
14 board shall set the fees at amounts intended to generate
15 sufficient revenues to pay the operation and maintenance costs
16 of implementing chapter 486, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and
17 central services and departmental administrative expense
18 assessments of section 36-27 and section 36-30, Hawaii Revised
19 Statutes.

20 (b) If, by September 30, 2010, the board of agriculture
21 has not complied with subsection (a), then the fee charged for
22 each licensing, testing, calibration, or inspection of a



1 measuring or other device shall be \$ commencing
2 October 1, 2010.

3 (c) Any subsequent amendments to the rules adopted or
4 amended pursuant to subsection (a) or the fee established under
5 subsection (b) shall be subject to all applicable provisions of
6 chapter 91 and chapter 201M, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

7 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on January 20, 2020.



Report Title:

Weights and Measurements Special Fund

Description:

Establishes the Weights and Measurements Special Fund. Requires the Board of Agriculture to adopt or amend rules to impose or increase fees authorized to be charged under Chapter 486, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to cover the cost of the Measurement Standards Program. Effective January 20, 2020. (HB2291 HD1)

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