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S.B. NO. 1229

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE REPAIR AND
MAINTENANCE OF IRRIGATION SYSTEMS WITHIN 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 farmers receive a steady and dependable supply of water to grow
4 their crops, sufficient funding is needed to maintain and
5 improve Hawaii's agricultural irrigation systems.

6 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of
7 general obligation bonds for capital improvement projects to
8 repair, maintain, and develop irrigation systems as identified
9 throughout the State. This contribution to the State's
10 agricultural infrastructure will:

11 (1) Act as a needed economic stimulus for the State's
12 economy;

13 (2) Create a dynamic impact of water availability creating
14 more agricultural production; and

15 (3) Benefit the State through increased tax revenue.

16 The total amount for these capital improvement projects
17 approximates \$16,000,000.



1 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
2 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much
3 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
4 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2009-2010
5 for the purpose of funding capital improvement projects for the
6 repair and maintenance of irrigation systems throughout the
7 State and salaries for additional employees of the agricultural
8 resource management division, as follows:

9 1. Maui:

10 (A) West Maui \$

11 (B) Upcountry Maui \$

12 2. Molokai \$

13 3. Hawaii:

14 (A) Lower Hamakua \$

15 (B) Kau \$

16 4. East Kauai \$

17 5. Waimanalo, Oahu \$

18 SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital
19 improvement projects authorized by this Act shall not lapse at
20 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is
21 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
22 unencumbered as of June 30, 2012, shall lapse as of that date.



1 SECTION 4. The sums appropriated for the respective
2 capital projects set forth in section 2 shall be expended by the
3 department of agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

4 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.
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Description:

Appropriates funds for capital improvement projects to repair and maintain irrigation systems within the State.

