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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO IRRIGATION.

**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 provide additional funding  
7 needed for the repair and maintenance of irrigation systems  
8 throughout the State, including additional personnel for the  
9 department of agriculture to improve oversight and management of  
10 the irrigation systems.

11           SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue  
12 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$400,000 or so much  
13 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof  
14 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2011-2012 to  
15 be deposited into the irrigation repair and maintenance special  
16 fund and used for the purposes specified in section 3 of this  
17 Act.



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

3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the irrigation  
4 repair and maintenance special fund the sum of \$400,000 or so  
5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-2012 for  
6 the following:

7 (1) \$ for the east Kauai irrigation system;

8 (2) \$ for the Waimanalo irrigation system;

9 (3) \$ for the Molokai irrigation system;

10 (4) \$ for the upcountry Maui irrigation system;

11 (5) \$ for the Lower Hamakua ditch irrigation  
12 system;

13 (6) \$ for the Waimea irrigation system;

14 (7) \$ for the agricultural water use development  
15 plan;

16 (8) \$ for a new engineer VI (SR-28) position;

17 (9) \$ for a new irrigation system manager  
18 (SR-21) position;

19 (10) \$ for the conversion of an existing clerk-  
20 typist II temporary position to a new clerk-typist III  
21 position (SR-13); and



1 (11) \$ for the creation of a mobile disaster  
 2 emergency response team consisting of four (4) new  
 3 irrigation system service worker II positions (WC-7)  
 4 with salaries of \$ each.

5 The projects are deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid  
 6 financing and reimbursement.

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

9 SECTION 4. The appropriations made for the capital  
 10 improvement projects authorized in this Act shall not lapse at  
 11 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriations are  
 12 made.

13 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

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**Report Title:**

Irrigation; Agriculture Water Use and Development Plan

**Description:**

Funds the agriculture water use and development plan by authorizing the director of finance to issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$400,000, and appropriating out of the irrigation repair and maintenance special fund the sum of \$400,000, to fund various irrigation systems and necessary positions in unspecified amounts.

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