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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 141, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§141-     State matching funds program; county expenditures  
5 to support agriculture; special fund. (a) The department of  
6 agriculture shall establish a program to provide state matching  
7 funds to counties that expend county funds for positions or  
8 other expenses incurred to support agriculture in the respective  
9 counties. The department shall establish appropriate  
10 procedures, standards, and criteria for:

11           (1) Determining county expenditures that qualify for state  
12 matching funds and the ratio of state matching funds  
13 provided for each dollar expended by the counties;

14           (2) Determining, if requests for state matching funds  
15 exceed the funding available, the most appropriate way  
16 to distribute available funds to the counties; and

17           (3) Determining the process by which counties submit  
18 requests for state matching funds and establishing



1 deadlines or timelines, if any, and other similar  
2 details of the program.

3 (b) There is established within the state treasury the  
4 state matching funds for county agricultural support special  
5 fund which shall be administered by the department, and into  
6 which shall be deposited legislative appropriations, grants and  
7 gifts, all interest earned or accrued on moneys deposited in the  
8 fund, and any other moneys made available to the fund. The  
9 state matching funds for county agricultural support special  
10 fund shall be used to provide state matching funds pursuant to  
11 the program specified in subsection (a)."

12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$                    or so  
14 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-2012 and  
15 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
16 year 2012-2013 to be deposited into the state matching funds for  
17 county agricultural support special fund.

18 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the state matching  
19 funds for county agricultural support special fund the sum of  
20 \$                    or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
21 year 2011-2012 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be  
22 necessary for fiscal year 2012-2013 for the purposes of



1 establishing the state matching funds for county agricultural  
2 support program pursuant to this Act.

3 SECTION 4. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the  
4 department of agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 5. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



**Report Title:**

State Matching Funds; Counties; Agriculture; Appropriation

**Description:**

Establishes a program for state matching funds for expenses incurred by the counties in supporting agriculture. Makes an appropriation to the Department of Agriculture. Effective July 1, 2020. (HB869 HD1)

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