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S.B. NO. 1442

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the agriculture
2 industry is an important and vital part of the State's economy.
3 In order to sustain and expand the agriculture industry, the
4 State must continuously invest in the basic infrastructure that
5 supports thousands of acres of agricultural lands, including
6 investments in irrigation systems for the purpose of efficiently
7 delivering water to farmers and ranchers.

8 The legislature finds that one of Hawaii's most important
9 irrigation systems is the one hundred year-old Waiahole
10 irrigation system, which services thousands of acres of
11 productive agricultural lands in central Oahu and provides water
12 to many agribusinesses. Currently, a twenty-five mile stretch
13 of the Waiahole irrigation system is in need of capital
14 improvements to ensure that the water is transported and
15 delivered efficiently to farmers and ranchers in central Oahu.

16 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of
17 general obligation bonds to appropriate general revenues for



1 capital improvements to the Waiahole irrigation system for
2 siphon replacements and other necessary improvements.

3 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
4 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$2,000,000 or so much
5 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
6 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2011-2012
7 for the following projects for the Waiahole ditch system.

- 8 1. Planning, Waiahole ditch system
9 Planning of the siphon replacement
10 and other necessary improvements \$ 250,000
11 2. Designing, Waiahole ditch system
12 Designing of the siphon replacement
13 and other necessary improvements \$ 250,000
14 3. Construction, Waiahole ditch system
15 Construction of the siphon replacement
16 and other necessary improvements \$1,500,000

17 SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital
18 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at
19 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is
20 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
21 unencumbered as of June 30, 2014, shall lapse as of that date.



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

3 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.
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Report Title:

Agriculture; Waiahole Irrigation System; Appropriation

Description:

Authorizes the director of finance to issue \$2,000,000 in general obligation bonds for improvements to the Waiahole irrigation system.

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