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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 system.

6           The purpose of this Act is to provide additional funding  
7 needed for improvements to irrigation systems throughout the  
8 State.

9           SECTION 2. (a) The director of finance is authorized to  
10 issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$9,960,000 or so  
11 much thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much  
12 thereof as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year  
13 2011-2012 for the purpose of making capital improvements to  
14 irrigation systems as follows:

- 15           (1) \$500,000 for the Waiahole irrigation system;  
16           (2) \$1,850,000 for the Waimanalo irrigation system;  
17           (3) \$2,000,000 for the Molokai irrigation system;  
18           (4) \$1,500,000 for the upcountry Maui watershed;



- 1 (5) \$3,200,000 for the lower Hamakua ditch;  
2 (6) \$500,000 for the Kau irrigation system;  
3 (7) \$300,000 for the Kekaha ditch; and  
4 (8) \$110,000 for the Kahuku agricultural park irrigation  
5 system.

6 (b) The projects specified in paragraphs (4) and (5) of  
7 subsection (a) are deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid  
8 financing and reimbursement in the following amounts:

- 9 (1) \$1,500,000 for the upcountry Maui watershed; and  
10 (2) \$3,200,000 for the lower Hamakua Ditch.

11 SECTION 3. (a) The director of finance is authorized to  
12 issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$9,900,000 or so  
13 much thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much  
14 thereof is necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2012-2013  
15 for the purpose of making capital improvements to irrigation  
16 systems as follows:

- 17 (1) \$2,500,000 for the Waiahole irrigation system;  
18 (2) \$1,000,000 for the Waimanalo irrigation system;  
19 (3) \$1,500,000 for the upcountry Maui watershed;  
20 (4) \$1,500,000 for the lower Hamakua ditch;  
21 (5) \$2,000,000 for the Kau irrigation system; and  
22 (6) \$1,400,000 for the Kekaha ditch.



1 (b) The projects specified in paragraphs (3) and (4) of  
2 subsection (a) are deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid  
3 financing and reimbursement in the following amounts:

4 (1) \$1,500,000 for the upcountry Maui watershed; and

5 (2) \$1,500,000 for the lower Hamakua Ditch.

6 SECTION 4. The appropriations made for the capital  
7 improvement projects authorized by this Act shall not lapse at  
8 the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriations are  
9 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriations  
10 unencumbered as of June 30, 2015, shall lapse as of that date.

11 SECTION 5. The sums appropriated in this Act shall be  
12 expended by the department of agriculture for the purposes of  
13 this Act.

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



**Report Title:**

Irrigation; General Obligation Bonds; Appropriation

**Description:**

Authorizes the director of finance to issue general obligation bonds to finance capital improvements to various irrigation systems. Effective July 1, 2020. (SB145 HD1)

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