

NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

June 14, 2013

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 14, 2013, the following bill was signed into law:

HB749 HD2 SD2 CD1

RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT **ACT 099 (13)**

NEIL ABERCROMBIE Governor, State of Hawaii

Approved by the Governor JUN 1 4 2013

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013 STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The Hawaii State Planning Act, chapter 226,
- 2 Hawaii Revised Statutes, declares that it shall be the policy of
- 3 the State to promote economically competitive activities that
- 4 increase Hawaii's agricultural self-sufficiency and to increase
- 5 the attractiveness and opportunities for an agricultural
- 6 education and livelihood.
- 7 The legislature finds that to ensure Hawaii's agricultural
- 8 self-sufficiency, it is critical to create a workforce
- 9 development plan that will:
- 10 (1) Introduce Hawaii's youth to agriculture-related
 11 activities that will promote an interest and aptitude
 12 in agricultural sustainability;
- 13 (2) Engage in an ongoing effort to promote the development
 14 of future leaders in the agricultural sector who will
 15 have a vision for the future of Hawaii in all sectors
 16 of the agriculture industry and its related fields;
- of the agriculture industry and red related richas,
- 17 (3) Identify available opportunities for future workforce
 18 participants to engage in and further their training

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1		to prepare to become members of the agricultural
2	·	workforce; and
3	. (4)	Develop a seamless Hawaii P-20 program to transition
4		future agricultural workforce participants into the
5		workforce.
6	SECT	ION 2. Chapter 371, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7	amended b	y adding a new section to be appropriately designated
8	and to re	ad as follows:
9	" <u>§37</u>	1- Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board;
10	established. (a) There is created within the department, for	
11	administrative purposes only, the Hawaii agriculture workforce	
12	advisory	board, which shall include the following members or
13	their designees:	
14	(1)	The director;
15	(2)	The chairperson of the board of agriculture;
16	<u>(3)</u>	The superintendent of education;
17	(4)	The dean of the college of tropical agriculture and
18		human resources at the University of Hawaii at Manoa;
19	<u>(5)</u>	The dean of the college of agriculture, forestry, and
20		natural resource management at the University of
21		Hawaii at Hilo;

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1	(6)	A chancellor of a community college within the
2		University of Hawaii system, selected by the other
3		members of the Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory
4		board;
5	<u>(7)</u>	The president of the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation;
6		and
7	(8)	A representative from the farming community, for a
8		term of two years, to be selected by the chairperson
9		of the board of agriculture.
10	Section 2	6-34 shall not apply to the Hawaii agriculture
11	workforce	advisory board. The director shall serve as the
12	chairpers	on of the Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board.
13	(b)	The Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board shall
14	advise th	e department on the following matters:
15	(1)	Developing the next generation of the agriculture
16		industry workforce in the State;
17	(2)	Developing the mission, direction, and goals of the
18		Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board;
19	(3)	Developing partnerships with agricultural
20		organizations and stakeholders to further the Hawaii

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1		agriculture workforce advisory board's mission and
2		objectives;
3	(4)	Maintaining and supporting the National Future Farmers
4		of America Organization within the State; and
5	<u>(5)</u>	Recommending projects and programs to promote the
6		expansion and development of the agricultural industry
7		in the State.
8	<u>(c)</u>	The Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board
9	members s	hall serve without compensation; provided that the
10	represent	ative from the farming community shall be reimbursed
11	for neces	sary expenses incurred during the performance of the
12	represent	ative's duties."
13	SECT	ION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
14	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

APPROVED this, 14 day of