



EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
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NEIL ABERCROMBIE
GOVERNOR

June 26, 2013

GOV. MSG. NO. 1307

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 26, 2013, the following bill was signed into law:

SB757 SD2 HD2 CD1

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE
ACT 204 (13)

Since Iki
Neil Abercrombie
NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawaii

Approved by the Governor

on JUN 26 2013

THE SENATE
TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 204

S.B. NO. 757
S.D. 2
H.D. 2
C.D. 1

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 supporting local
2 agriculture is a strategic public investment that will build
3 community resilience and strengthen the productive base of the
4 economy. The current lack of young farmers and ranchers with
5 the experience, skills, and ambition to undertake the rigorous
6 and complex work of farming and ranching as a business poses a
7 significant hurdle to revitalizing local agriculture. To
8 address this problem, the legislature finds that rebuilding
9 existing programs that educate, support, and encourage youth for
10 agricultural careers, specifically Future Farmers of America, is
11 a timely and efficient means of achieving community resilience
12 and sustainability.

13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$75,000 or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 for the
16 implementation and operation of the Future Farmers of America to
17 educate and support youth in agricultural careers.



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

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

APPROVED this 26 day of JUN , 2013



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII