
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, asserts that it shall be the policy of
3 the State to promote economically competitive activities that
4 increase Hawaii's agricultural self-sufficiency, attractiveness,
5 and opportunities for an agricultural workforce and livelihood.

6 The legislature finds that to ensure Hawaii's agricultural
7 self-sufficiency, it is critical to create a workforce
8 development plan that will:

- 9 (1) Introduce Hawaii's youth to agriculture-related
10 activities that will promote an interest and aptitude
11 in agricultural sustainability;
- 12 (2) Engage in an ongoing effort to promote the development
13 of future leaders in the agricultural sector who will
14 have a vision for the future of Hawaii in all sectors
15 of the agriculture industry and its related fields;
- 16 (3) Identify available opportunities for future workforce
17 participants to engage in and further their training



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 SECTION 2. (a) There is created within the department of
7 labor and industrial relations, for administrative purposes
8 only, the Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board, which
9 shall include the following members or their designees:

- 10 (1) The director of labor and industrial relations;
- 11 (2) The chairperson of the board of agriculture;
- 12 (3) The superintendent of the department of education;
- 13 (4) The dean of the college of tropical agriculture and
14 human resources at the University of Hawaii at Manoa;
- 15 (5) The dean of the college of agriculture, forestry, and
16 natural resource management at the University of
17 Hawaii at Hilo;
- 18 (6) A chancellor of a community college within the
19 University of Hawaii system, selected by the other
20 members of the advisory board;
- 21 (7) A representative from the Hawaii Farm Bureau
22 Federation; and



1 (8) A representative from the farming community to be
2 selected by the chairperson of the board of
3 agriculture.

4 The director of labor and industrial relations shall serve as
5 the chairperson of the advisory board.

6 (b) The advisory board shall be responsible for:

7 (1) Developing the next generation of the agriculture
8 industry workforce in the State;

9 (2) The mission, direction, and goals of the advisory
10 board;

11 (3) Developing partnerships with agricultural
12 organizations and stakeholders to further the advisory
13 board's mission and objectives;

14 (4) Maintaining and supporting the National FFA
15 Organization within the State; and

16 (5) Recommending projects and programs to promote the
17 expansion and development of the agricultural industry
18 in the State.

19 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
20 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
21 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and the
22 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year



1 2014-2015 to assist in the establishment and support of the
2 Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board.

3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
4 of labor and industrial relations for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



Report Title:

Agriculture; Hawaii Agriculture Workforce Advisory Board

Description:

Establishes the Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board to promote agricultural self-sufficiency in the State.

Appropriates funds to establish and support the Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board. Effective 07/01/2030.
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