

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FRESHWATER RESERVOIRS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The department of land and natural
- 2 resources, in collaboration with the department of agriculture
- 3 as necessary, shall identify, purchase, and rehabilitate
- 4 suitable freshwater reservoirs in central Maui that are
- 5 appropriate to:
- 6 (1) Stock with freshwater game fish;
- 7 (2) Assist farmers who need access to fresh water while
- 8 also serving as freshwater fishing areas; and
- 9 (3) Potential aquaponics uses.
- 10 (b) The department of land and natural resources shall
- 11 submit a report on the progress of the identification, purchase,
- 12 and rehabilitation of qualifying reservoirs to the legislature
- 13 no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular
- 14 session of 2017, with the final report to be submitted to the
- 15 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
- 16 the regular session of 2018.

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1	1	SECTION 2	2. Th	e director	of	finance	is	authorized	to	issue
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- 2 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much
- 3 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
- 4 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2016-2017
- 5 for the purpose of identifying, purchasing, and rehabilitating
- 6 freshwater reservoirs within central Maui.
- 7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 8 land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.
- 9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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Report Title:

Freshwater Reservoirs; Central Maui; Fishing; Agriculture; GO

Description:

Requires the department of land and natural resources, with the collaboration of the department of agriculture, to identify, purchase, and rehabilitate freshwater reservoirs in central Maui suitable for fishing, agriculture, and aquaponics. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to fund the purposes of this Act.

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