

JAN 27 2016

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 Act 99, Session Laws
2 of 2013, established the Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory
3 board to advise the department of labor and industrial relations
4 on, among other things, projects and programs recommended to
5 promote the expansion and development of the State's
6 agricultural industry.

7 The purpose of this Act is to implement the recommendation
8 of the Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board that the
9 State should create an agriculture workforce development
10 pipeline initiative to conduct training on all islands for
11 teachers and school administrators in agricultural self-
12 sufficiency.

13 SECTION 2. Chapter 371, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
15 and to read as follows:

16 "§371- K-12 agriculture workforce development pipeline
17 initiative. (a) There shall be created in the department of



1 labor and industrial relations a k-12 agriculture workforce
2 development pipeline initiative to conduct training sessions for
3 teachers and school administrators on the islands of Oahu,
4 Hawaii, Maui, Molokai, Lanai, and Kauai, regarding agricultural
5 self-sufficiency.

6 (b) The k-12 agriculture workforce development pipeline
7 initiative shall be headed by a coordinator who shall be
8 appointed by the director of labor and industrial relations,
9 subject to chapter 76. The coordinator shall develop and
10 propose incentives, including scholarships, travel offsets,
11 course credits, and stipends. The coordinator may hire, subject
12 to chapter 76, necessary staff, including a workforce
13 development specialist, to carry out the purposes of this
14 section.

15 (c) Course material for the training sessions under
16 subsection (a) shall be approved by the Hawaii agriculture
17 workforce advisory board established pursuant to section 371-19.

18 (d) The department of labor and industrial relations shall
19 submit annual reports to the legislature on the activities of
20 the k-12 agriculture workforce development pipeline initiative."



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1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
 3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the
 4 development, operation, and implementation of the K-12
 5 agriculture workforce development pipeline initiative, including
 6 the hiring of a full-time equivalent (FTE) coordinator and a
 7 full-time equivalent (FTE) workforce development specialist.

8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
 9 labor and industrial relations for the purposes of this Act.

10 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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Report Title:

Agriculture; Workforce Development Pipeline Initiative;
Appropriation

Description:

Implements the recommendation of the Hawaii agriculture workforce advisory board to create an agriculture workforce development pipeline initiative to conduct training on all islands for teachers and school administrators in agricultural self-sufficiency.

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