
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 create an agriculture workforce development pipeline
10 initiative to conduct training on all islands for teachers and
11 school administrators in agricultural self-sufficiency.

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

15 "§371- K-12 agriculture workforce development pipeline
16 initiative. (a) There is established in the department a K-12
17 agriculture workforce development pipeline initiative to conduct



1 training sessions on all islands for teachers and school
2 administrators regarding agricultural self-sufficiency.

3 (b) The K-12 agriculture workforce development pipeline
4 initiative shall be headed by a resource teacher who shall be a
5 member of bargaining unit (5) and who shall be appointed by the
6 director, subject to chapter 76. The resource teacher shall
7 develop and propose incentives, including scholarships, travel
8 offsets, course credits, and stipends. The resource teacher may
9 hire, subject to chapter 76, necessary staff to carry out the
10 purposes of this section.

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

14 (d) The department shall submit annual reports to the
15 legislature on the activities of the K-12 agriculture workforce
16 development pipeline initiative not later than twenty days prior
17 to the convening of each regular session."

18 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
19 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$75,000 or so much
20 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
21 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year



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1 2018-2019 for the hiring of one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE)
2 resource teacher.

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. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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INTRODUCED BY: 



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Report Title:

Agriculture Workforce; Initiative; Appropriations

Description:

Establishes a K-12 Agriculture Workforce Development Pipeline Initiative in DLIR to conduct training for teachers and school administrators in agricultural self-sufficiency. Appropriates funds.

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