
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that rising prison
2 populations and shrinking correctional budgets have made
3 reducing costs important for correctional facilities.

4 The legislature further finds that prison farm programs can
5 reduce correctional costs by producing food in-house, increase
6 food self-sufficiency for correctional facilities, and address
7 the correctional issues of underused labor power and inmates in
8 need of programs and rehabilitation.

9 The legislature further finds that inmates working on
10 prison farm programs tend to be less aggressive, less prone to
11 recidivism, and healthier, and tend to consume a higher-quality
12 diet. Farm inmates are also exposed to a functioning workplace
13 and gain benefits such as employability, time management and
14 responsibility skills, access to nature, individual and team
15 building skills, and conflict resolution.

16 Prison farm programs also offer a unique environment where
17 inmates learn a variety of technical skills and trades. Farm
18 inmates also learn the practice of horticulture, including



1 caring for and identifying plants, managing and controlling
2 pests, applying planting and harvesting techniques, and
3 performing watering and weeding. Farm inmates also have the
4 opportunity to learn to drive and operate a tractor and learn to
5 repair farm machinery.

6 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for:

7 (1) A full-time temporary agricultural management position
8 and equipment for Kulani correctional facility
9 agriculture operations; and

10 (2) A full-time temporary agricultural management position
11 and equipment for Waiawa correctional facility
12 agriculture operations.

13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for the
16 establishment of one full-time equivalent (1.00 FTE) temporary
17 agricultural management position in the department of public
18 safety to manage agricultural operations at Kulani correctional
19 facility.

20 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
21 public safety for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for
4 equipment for Kulani correctional facility agriculture
5 operations, as determined to be necessary by the agricultural
6 manager.

7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
8 public safety for the purposes of this Act.

9 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much
11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for the
12 establishment of one full-time equivalent (1.00 FTE) temporary
13 agricultural management position in the department of public
14 safety to manage agricultural operations at Waiawa correctional
15 facility.

16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
17 public safety for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general
19 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much
20 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for
21 equipment for Waiawa correctional facility agriculture



1 operations, as determined to be necessary by the agricultural
2 manager.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
4 public safety for the purposes of this Act.

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



Report Title:

Kulani Correctional Facility; Waiawa Correctional Facility;
Agriculture Operations; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for full-time temporary agricultural management positions and equipment expenses for Kulani and Waiawa correctional facilities' agriculture operations. (HB478 CD1)

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