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# 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



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

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

- 8 (1) A full-time agricultural management position and  
9 equipment for Kulani correctional facility agriculture  
10 operations; and
- 11 (2) A full-time agricultural management position and  
12 equipment for Waiawa correctional facility agriculture  
13 operations.

14 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
16 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and  
17 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
18 year 2018-2019 for the establishment of one full-time equivalent  
19 (1.00 FTE) agricultural management position in the department of  
20 public safety to manage agricultural operations at Kulani  
21 correctional facility.



1 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
2 of public safety for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for  
6 Kulani correctional facility agriculture operations; provided  
7 that the appropriation shall be designated as follows:

- 8 (1) \$ for four egg production-chicken tractors;
- 9 (2) \$ for one water tank;
- 10 (3) \$ for five greenhouses;
- 11 (4) \$ for one processing container;
- 12 (5) \$ for one Kubota tractor;
- 13 (6) \$ for one rotary cutter;
- 14 (7) \$ for one spray tank;
- 15 (8) \$ for a tandem disc harrow; and
- 16 (9) \$ for fencing materials.

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

19 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general  
20 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
21 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and



1 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
2 year 2018-2019 for the establishment of one full-time equivalent  
3 (1.00 FTE) agricultural management position in the department of  
4 public safety to manage agricultural operations at Waiawa  
5 correctional facility.

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

8 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general  
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
10 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for  
11 Waiawa correctional facility agriculture operations; provided  
12 that the appropriation shall be designated as follows:

- 13 (1) \$ for four egg production-chicken tractors;
- 14 (2) \$ for one water tank;
- 15 (3) \$ for five greenhouses;
- 16 (4) \$ for one processing container;
- 17 (5) \$ for one Kubota tractor;
- 18 (6) \$ for one rotary cutter;
- 19 (7) \$ for one spray tank;
- 20 (8) \$ for a tandem disc harrow; and
- 21 (9) \$ for fencing materials.



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

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

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**Report Title:**

Public Safety; Kulani Correctional Facility Agriculture  
Operation; Waiawa Correctional Facility Agriculture Operation;  
Appropriation

**Description:**

Appropriates funds for a full-time agricultural management  
position and equipment for Kulani correctional facility  
agriculture operations and a full-time agricultural management  
position and equipment for Waiawa correctional facility  
agriculture operations. (SD1)

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