
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The Hawaii community college agriculture
2 program prepares students for employment in government service
3 as well as the agribusiness, horticulture, livestock, flowers-
4 and-foliage, landscaping, macadamia-nut, papaya, and coffee
5 industries.

6 Furthermore, Hawaii community college has a cooperative
7 relationship with the University of Hawaii at Hilo to use
8 approximately one acre of land at the latter's agricultural
9 farm. This agricultural farm serves as a live instructional
10 laboratory for experiential learning. In addition, the Hawaii
11 community college agriculture program collaborates with the
12 college's culinary arts program in a robust farm-to-table
13 effort. Fruits and vegetables grown at the University of Hawaii
14 at Hilo's agricultural farm are served by the college's culinary
15 arts program through on-campus dining facilities. In turn,
16 students in the culinary arts program spend time on the



1 agricultural farm learning from where raw foods originate and
2 what it requires to bring these foods to the kitchen.

3 Currently, production at the University of Hawaii at Hilo's
4 agricultural farm is unable to meet demand. Appropriating funds
5 for personnel and equipment would assist greatly in helping to
6 meet that demand. More importantly, it would enable Hawaii
7 community college to invest more fully in student learning
8 opportunities using state-of-the-art equipment.

9 SECTION 2. The University of Hawaii at Hilo shall work
10 with the county of Hawaii for the provision of necessary
11 equipment, staffing, and facilities to effectuate the Hawaii
12 community college agriculture program.

13 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
16 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
17 2018-2019 for the hiring of a farm coordinator to support the
18 instructional activities of Hawaii community college at the
19 University of Hawaii at Hilo's agricultural farm.

20 The sums appropriated shall be expended by Hawaii community
21 college for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 4. 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 2017-2018 for
4 equipment for the Hawaii community college agriculture program.

5 The sum appropriated shall be expended by Hawaii community
6 college for the purposes of this Act.

7 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on March 9, 2092.



Report Title:

Hawaii Community College; Agriculture Program; Appropriations

Description:

Makes appropriations for personnel and equipment for the Hawaii Community College Agriculture Program. (SB1082 HD1)

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