
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. 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 2018-2019 for
4 outreach and education efforts in west Hawaii county regarding
5 the detection and treatment of little fire ants.

6 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
7 agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$750,000 or so much
10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 to the
11 Hawaii ant lab of the Pacific cooperative studies unit of the
12 University of Hawaii, to support mitigation of the little fire
13 ant, which shall be allocated as follows:

- 14 (1) \$650,000 for six full-time equivalent (6.0 FTE)
15 positions to maintain on-going statewide mitigation
16 activities, vehicle and operating costs of public
17 outreach and treatment, ant baits, field equipment and



1 personal protective equipment, and computers and
2 printers; and

3 (2) \$100,000 for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE)
4 position to expand mitigation and community support
5 activities in west Hawaii.

6 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of
7 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

8 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.



Report Title:

Department of Agriculture; Little Fire Ants; University of Hawaii; Hawaii Ant Lab; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture for outreach and education efforts in West Hawaii county regarding the detection and treatment of little fire ants. Appropriates funds to the Hawaii ant lab for personnel and equipment to support mitigation of the little fire ant. (SD1)

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