
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

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

1 PART I

2 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the quality of local
3 papaya needs improvement to flourish as an export. While the
4 flavor and texture of local papaya is highly desired, shelf life
5 is too short to export in high quantities. Major factors that
6 may contribute to the poor quality of local papaya include the
7 transportation of the product; treatment for fruit fly control;
8 and handling, shipping, and storage of the product prior to
9 distribution.

10 The legislature further finds that developing and
11 establishing protocols to enhance the marketability of Hawaiian
12 papayas can help to expand the market. The establishment of a
13 market standard for Hawaiian papayas will encourage good
14 practices when local farmers grow and harvest papaya.

15 The purpose of this part is to appropriate moneys to the
16 agribusiness development corporation to:



1 (1) Identify factors that affect the quality of local
2 papayas; and

3 (2) Develop and establish protocols to enhance the
4 marketability of Hawaiian papayas.

5 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
7 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 to
8 identify factors that affect the quality of local papayas and to
9 develop and establish protocols to enhance the marketability of
10 Hawaiian papayas.

11 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the agribusiness
12 development corporation for the purposes of this Act.

13 PART II

14 SECTION 3. The agribusiness development corporation was
15 established by chapter 163D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which
16 intended to create a vehicle and process to make optimal use of
17 agricultural assets for the economic, environmental, and social
18 benefit of the people of Hawaii. The chapter established a
19 public corporation to administer an aggressive and dynamic
20 agribusiness development program. Accordingly, the agribusiness
21 development corporation has broad powers to meet its goals and



1 objectives. The purpose of this part is to conduct a management
2 and financial audit of the agribusiness development corporation.

3 SECTION 4. The auditor shall conduct a management and
4 financial audit of the agribusiness development corporation that
5 is established under chapter 163D, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

6 The auditor shall submit a report of findings and
7 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
8 legislature not later than twenty days prior to the convening of
9 the regular session of 2020.

10 PART III

11 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Agribusiness Development Corporation; Papaya; Audit;
Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates moneys to the Agribusiness Development Corporation (ADC) to identify factors that affect the quality of local papaya and to develop and establish protocols to enhance the marketability of Hawaiian papayas. Requires the Auditor to conduct a management and financial audit of ADC. (SB3087 HD1 PROPOSED)

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