
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 147-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:
3 "**§147-7 Inspection and classification of agricultural**
4 **commodities; fees.** (a) The department may contract with the
5 United States Department of Agriculture for obtaining the
6 services of a supervising inspector employed by the federal
7 department and the establishment of a cooperative inspection
8 service with the United States government. The department, or
9 the supervising inspector with the approval of the department,
10 may designate any competent employee or agent of the department
11 as an inspector to inspect or classify agricultural commodities
12 in accordance with rules of the department, and at the time and
13 places designated by the supervising inspector or the
14 department.
15 (b) The inspectors shall be authorized to inspect or
16 classify agricultural commodities at the request of persons
17 having a financial interest in the commodities, or as mandated



1 by subsection (d), and to ascertain and certify to the persons
2 the grade, classification, quality, condition, or origin of them
3 and other pertinent facts.

4 (c) The department may fix, assess, and collect or cause
5 to be collected fees for the services when they are performed by
6 employees of the department. The fees shall be on a uniform,
7 per pound basis and in an amount reasonably necessary to cover
8 the cost of inspection and the administration of this part;
9 provided that the department may prescribe a reasonable charge
10 for traveling expenses and extraordinary services when the
11 performance of the services involves unusual cost in their
12 performance. No fee shall be charged for an inspection unless
13 the inspection was requested by a person having a financial
14 interest in the inspected commodity[-] or the inspection was
15 mandated by subsection (d).

16 (d) All Hawaii grown green coffee beans shall be inspected
17 and certified by the department for grade and origin if shipped
18 out of the district of origin; provided that this subsection
19 shall not apply to shipments of one hundred pounds or less.

20 [~~d~~] (e) The department may adopt rules establishing the
21 requirements, procedures, restrictions, and other criteria



1 necessary for establishing a program of self inspection and
2 certification of agricultural commodities."

3 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
4 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
5 begun before its effective date.

6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Green Coffee Beans; Mandatory Inspection and Certification;
Department of Agriculture; Shipping

Description:

Requires that the department of agriculture inspect and certify all Hawaii-grown green coffee beans for grade and origin if shipped out of the district of origin, except for shipments of one hundred pounds or less. Takes effect on 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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