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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MARINE RESOURCES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State's  
2 nearshore marine resources are being increasingly impacted by  
3 local and global stressors and that existing state management  
4 measures may be inadequate to ensure long-term sustainability.

5           On September 1, 2016, at the International Union for  
6 Conservation of Nature World Conservation Congress in Hawaii,  
7 and as part of the sustainable Hawaii initiative, governor David  
8 Ige announced the State's commitment to effectively manage  
9 thirty per cent of Hawaii's nearshore waters by 2030. Referred  
10 to as the marine 30x30 initiative, this effort aims to balance  
11 sustainable use with restoration and conservation to benefit  
12 local communities now and in the future. The department of land  
13 and natural resources is capitalizing on this initiative to  
14 establish new strategic directions in the way it manages the  
15 State's nearshore marine resources.

16           Led by the division of aquatic resources, the marine 30x30  
17 initiative includes strategies to reevaluate and update



1 statewide fishing regulations and to establish a statewide  
2 network of marine managed areas encompassing thirty per cent of  
3 the State's nearshore waters. Successful development and  
4 implementation of these strategies hinges on effective public  
5 outreach and a fair and transparent stakeholder input process,  
6 which includes statewide public hearings and concentrated  
7 scoping workshops in communities where marine managed areas are  
8 proposed.

9 The purpose of this Act is to provide the department of  
10 land and natural resources with the funds necessary to establish  
11 one full-time, temporary program specialist V position within  
12 the department and to successfully undertake the comprehensive  
13 stakeholder engagement process associated with the marine 30x30  
14 initiative.

15 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$29,808 or so much  
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the  
18 sum of \$59,616 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal  
19 year 2020-2021 for the funding of one full-time (1.0 FTE)  
20 temporary program specialist V to support the coordination and



1 implementation of the marine 30x30 initiative in ecosystem  
2 protection and restoration.

3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
4 of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$83,900 or so much  
7 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the  
8 sum of \$167,800 or so much thereof as may be necessary for  
9 fiscal year 2020-2021 to support the department of land and  
10 natural resources' strategic communication and stakeholder  
11 engagement process associated with the marine 30x30 initiative.

12 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
13 of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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# H.B. NO. 1152

**Report Title:**

Marine Resources; Marine 30x30 Initiative; Appropriation

**Description:**

Appropriates funds to establish a full-time temporary Program Specialist V position to support the coordination and implementation of the Marine 30x30 Initiative. Appropriates funds for the Marine 30x30 Initiative strategic communication and stakeholder engagement process.

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