
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) There is established the Hawaii tree
2 planting program to be administered by the board of land and
3 natural resources for the planting of at least one million
4 appropriate, non-invasive trees in the State per year. The
5 Hawaii tree planting program shall expand the urban, peri-urban,
6 and rural tree canopies throughout the State, and preference
7 shall be given to planting native trees where appropriate.

8 (b) The Hawaii tree planting program shall be a
9 partnership between:

- 10 (1) The department of land and natural resources;
- 11 (2) The office of planning;
- 12 (3) Any appropriate county determined by the chairperson
13 of the board of land and natural resources; provided
14 that the chairperson of the board of land and natural
15 resources shall invite any appropriate county to
16 participate in the program; and



1 (4) Any appropriate nonprofit entity as determined by the
2 chairperson of the board of land and natural
3 resources; provided that the chairperson of the board
4 of land and natural resources shall invite any
5 appropriate nonprofit entity to participate in the
6 program.

7 (c) The Hawaii tree planting program shall be directed and
8 managed by a program administrator to be appointed by the
9 chairperson of the board of land and natural resources. The
10 program administrator position shall not be subject to chapters
11 76 and 89, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The Hawaii tree planting
12 program administrator shall:

- 13 (1) Research and apply for appropriate and available
14 federal funding, including grant moneys;
- 15 (2) Direct the disbursement of any funds to any appropriate
16 state agency, including the Hawaii youth conservation
17 corps, Hawaii correctional industries program, and
18 other state workforce programs; and
- 19 (3) Disburse funds to an appropriate county agency or
20 qualified nonprofit organization.



1 (d) The Hawaii tree planting program shall cease to exist
2 on .

3 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for
6 the establishment, operation, and management of the Hawaii tree
7 planting program.

8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
9 land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

10 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Department of Land and Natural Resources; Trees; Hawaii Tree Planting Program; Established; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes a tree planting program in the State. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)

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