
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GUIDE DOGS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that professionally
2 trained guide dogs, services, and assistive aids for Hawaii's
3 blind and visually impaired community help provide more
4 employment opportunities with less need for lifetime support
5 services for youth, and lead to greater independence and
6 mobility for adults and seniors, thus minimizing the need for
7 long-term home and nursing care and imposing fewer burdens on
8 family, friends, and the community.

9 The legislature further finds that only half of the twenty-
10 nine-acre site of the state animal quarantine facility in the
11 lower Halawa valley has been slated for use by the department of
12 public safety as the location for the new Oahu community
13 correctional center. An environmental impact statement has
14 already been prepared for the site, which allows the State to
15 repurpose the remainder of the site for public benefit. This
16 site is well-suited to be the location of a guide dog training



1 facility to reduce the dependence upon the importation of
2 professionally trained guide dogs.

3 The purpose of this Act is to provide resources for
4 planning and design of a professional training facility for
5 guide dogs and other professionally trained career dogs on a
6 designated portion of the state animal quarantine facility in
7 Halawa valley on Oahu.

8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for the
11 planning and design of a professional training facility for
12 guide dogs and other professionally trained career dogs on a
13 designated portion of the state animal quarantine facility in
14 Halawa valley on Oahu.

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

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



Report Title:

Guide Dog Facility; State Animal Quarantine Facility;
Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for the planning and design of a professional training facility for guide dogs and other professionally trained career dogs on a designated portion of the state animal quarantine facility in Halawa valley on Oahu. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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