
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FOOD SUSTAINABILITY.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) Pursuant to section 226-55, Hawaii Revised
2 Statutes, the department of agriculture, in coordination with
3 the office of planning, shall prepare and periodically update
4 the state agriculture functional plan to include other
5 agricultural economic updates, including updates on seafood
6 sustainability, that expand the State's priority on food by
7 including wild seafood as a viable food source.

8 (b) As part of the updated state agriculture functional
9 plan, which shall include seafood sustainability, among other
10 agricultural economic updates, the department of agriculture and
11 the office of planning may:

12 (1) Establish objectives, policies, and actions related to
13 seafood sustainability;

14 (2) Research the agricultural and economic impact that
15 wild seafood has on food self-sufficiency in the
16 State, including its influence on:



1 (A) Non-commercial consumption, such as community
2 sharing and fisher household consumption; and

3 (B) Exports;

4 (3) Collect data on the wholesale and retail sales of wild
5 seafood in the State;

6 (4) Classify and regulate wild seafood as a food commodity
7 in the State; and

8 (5) Incorporate seafood sustainability into the state
9 agriculture functional plan related to increased food
10 security and food self-sufficiency.

11 (c) The governor shall submit the state agriculture
12 functional plan pursuant to section 226-56, Hawaii Revised
13 Statutes, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature
14 no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular
15 session of 2023.

16 (d) For the purposes of this section, "wild seafood" means
17 naturally born or hatchery-raised fish and shellfish harvested
18 in the wild through commercial, recreational, or subsistence
19 fishing but excludes net-pen aquacultural or other farm-raised
20 fish.

21 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

DOA; Seafood Sustainability; State Agriculture Functional Plan

Description:

Requires the department of agriculture, in coordination with the office of planning, to prepare and periodically update the state agriculture functional plan to include other agricultural economic updates, including seafood sustainability, that expand the State's priority on food by including wild seafood as a viable food source. (HD1)

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