
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 agricultural functional plan to include other agricultural
5 economic updates, including updates on seafood sustainability
6 that expand the State's priority on food by including wild
7 seafood as a viable food source.

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



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

(B) Exports;

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

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

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

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

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

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

HDOA; Seafood Sustainability; Functional Plan

Description:

Requires the department of agriculture, in coordination with the office of planning, to prepare and periodically update the state agricultural functional plan for seafood sustainability that expands the State's priority on food by including wild seafood as a viable food source. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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