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H.B. NO. 530

A Bill for an Act Relating to Employees in Certain Exempt Positions in the Planning and Development Office of the Department of Agriculture.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to grant civil service status to five employees occupying positions in the department of agriculture, which were authorized by Act 218, Session Laws of Hawaii 1973, part III, section 8, for agricultural planning and marketing purposes.

SECTION 2. The employees currently not in civil service in the planning and development office of the department of agriculture, who occupy the positions of chief planner, agricultural planner I, agricultural planner II, agricultural development specialist, and a secretary, as authorized, established, and funded pursuant to Act 218, Session Laws of Hawaii 1973, part III, section 8, shall be converted to permanent civil service status within the meaning of chapters 76 and 77, Hawaii Revised Statutes, without the necessity of examination, and shall be accorded all of the rights, benefits, and privileges of other civil service employees, including seniority, prior service credit, and vacation and sick leave credits. Positions held by employees converted to civil service status shall be assigned by the director of personnel services to appropriate classes in the position classification plan, and the employees shall be paid in accordance with the salary ranges to which the classes are assigned; provided that employees receiving a salary above the minimum rate may be paid at the rate higher than the minimum rate but not exceeding the highest pay rate in the appropriate salary range.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 13, 1984.)