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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AQUACULTURE.

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

1	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the development of	
2	aquaculture in the State will help to increase the State's	
3	economic resilience and food security. The legislature	
4	therefore finds that this Act will address an issue of statewide	
5	concern.	
6	SECTION 2. (a) The University of Hawaii sea grant college	
7	program shall contract with an independent consultant to develop	
8	a statewide strategic five-year plan for aquaculture.	
9	(b)	The statewide strategic five-year plan for aquaculture
10	shall:	
11	(1)	Conduct a strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and
12		threats analysis; and
13	(2)	Develop an industry values statement, goals,
14		objectives, and an operational plan, including budgets
15		and timelines.
16	(c)	As a condition within the contract, the independent
17	consultant shall invite industry leaders and stakeholders to	

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participate in the development of the statewide strategic five year plan for aquaculture. It is the intent of the legislature
 that the statewide strategic five-year plan for aquaculture be
 industry-driven.

(d) The University of Hawaii sea grant college program
shall submit the statewide strategic five-year plan for
aquaculture required by this Act, including any proposed
legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
to the convening of the regular session of 2025.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 to contract with an independent consultant for the development of the statewide strategic five-year plan for aquaculture required by this Act.

16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of 17 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.

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Report Title:

UH Sea Grant College Program; Statewide Strategic Five-Year Plan for Aquaculture; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the University of Hawaii sea grant college program to contract with an independent consultant for the development of a statewide strategic five-year plan for aquaculture. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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