

#### EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

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LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR

May 18, 2006

GOV. MSG. NO. 638

The Honorable Robert Bunda, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 003 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on May 18, 2006, the following bill was signed into law:

SB3076 SD1 HD1 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COQUI FROGS. (ACT 108)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

ACT 108

THE SENATE TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2006 STATE OF HAWAII S.B. NO. S.D. 1

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COQUI FROGS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 141-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "S141-3 Designation of pests; control or eradication of
- 4 pests; emergency power. (a) The department of agriculture
- 5 shall [establish] designate the coqui frog as a pest. All other
- 6 pest designations shall be established by rule, including the
- 7 criteria and procedures for the designation of pests for control
- 8 or eradication.
- 9 (b) The department of agriculture shall, so far as
- 10 reasonably practicable, assist, free of cost to individuals, in
- 11 the control or eradication of insects, mites, diseases, noxious
- 12 weeds, or other pests injurious to the environment or vegetation
- 13 of value; and in the investigation, suppression, and eradication
- 14 of contagious, infectious, and communicable diseases among
- 15 domestic animals; and shall in like manner distribute to points
- 16 where needed, beneficial insects, or pathogens and other
- 17 antidotes for the control of insects, mites [and], diseases, or
- 18 other pests injurious to the environment or vegetation of value,

- 1 and for the control or eradication of vegetation of a noxious
- 2 character.
- 3 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (a), if the department
- 4 finds the incipient infestation of a pest that has an adverse
- 5 effect on the environment or that is injurious or deleterious or
- 6 that is likely to become injurious or deleterious to the
- 7 agricultural, horticultural, aquacultural, or livestock
- 8 industries of the State without immediate action, it may proceed
- 9 without prior notice or upon a minimum of forty-eight hours
- 10 notice and hearing to adopt an emergency rule for the
- 11 eradication of the pest to be effective for a period of not
- 12 longer than one hundred eighty days without renewal."
- 13 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Approved this day: MAY | 8 2006

#### THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

President of the Senate

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Clerk of the Senate

# THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

Speaker, House of Representatives

Clerk, House of Representatives