## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LAND.

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

1 SECTION	1.	In a	an	agreement	between	the	land	use

- 2 commission, a developer, and a landowner, approximately one
- 3 hundred and fifty acres of land were dedicated to the State as a
- 4 condition of reclassifying the former Oahu Sugar plantation
- 5 lands to urban use. The land dedicated to the State will be
- 6 used as a buffer between the makai Royal Kunia residential
- 7 development and the mauka agricultural uses in Kunia to stop the
- 8 advancement of residential properties in the Pearl Harbor saddle
- 9 area.
- 10 However, this new buffer area will not only create a
- 11 barrier, it will also provide an opportunity to expand farming
- 12 opportunities on prime agricultural lands. The legislature
- 13 recognizes the important role of agriculture to Hawaii's
- 14 economy, and making this parcel available for agricultural use
- 15 will provide economic diversity and protect important
- 16 agricultural lands located in the Royal Kunia area on the island
- of Oahu.

- 1 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to prepare
- 2 a master plan for the newly acquired one hundred fifty-acre
- 3 parcel mauka of the Royal Kunia residential development on the
- 4 island of Oahu.
- 5 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- $\mathbf{6}$  revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$250,000 or so much
- 7 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 to develop
- 8 a master plan for the one hundred fifty-acre agricultural park
- 9 mauka of the Royal Kunia residential development on the island
- 10 of Oahu.
- 11 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 12 agriculture for the purposes of this Act.
- SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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Report Title:

Royal Kunia; Agricultural Lands; Master Plan

## Description:

Appropriates funds to create a master plan for a 150-acre parcel mauka of the Royal Kunia residential development on the island of Oahu. (SB2482 HD1)