A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 163D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and 3 to read as follows:
- 4 "PART II. KUNIA SPECIAL AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT
- 5 §163D-A Establishment of district; boundaries. (a) There
- 6 is established the Kunia special agricultural district.
- 7 (b) The district shall include all lands in the state land
- $oldsymbol{8}$ use agricultural district and classified by the land study
- 9 bureau's detailed land classification as overall (master)
- 10 productivity rating class A or B within the area generally
- 11 bounded by Farrington highway to the south, Kipapa gulch and
- 12 Kamehameha highway to the east, Wheeler Air Force Base and
- 13 Schofield Barracks to the north, and Makakilo Drive, the
- 14 Makakilo residential urban district, and the Honouliuli forest
- 15 reserve to the west.
- 16 §163D-B Transfer of public lands and non-agricultural park
- 17 lands; other lands. (a) In addition to the acquisition of
- 18 public lands within the Kunia special agricultural district by

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- 1 the corporation pursuant to section 163D-16, the board of land
- 2 and natural resources shall transfer all non-agricultural park
- 3 lands and other public lands in its control within the Kunia
- 4 special agricultural district to the corporation; provided that
- 5 no public lands shall be transferred if the transfer would
- 6 impair any existing lease between the State and a lessee or
- 7 impair any covenant between the State or any county and the
- 8 holders of bonds issued by the State or any county.
- 9 (b) The corporation shall further acquire other available
- 10 lands within the Kunia special agricultural district, with
- 11 priority to lands contiguous to existing lands it controls and
- 12 large non-contiguous parcels, with suitable water resources
- 13 available, capable of producing sustained high agricultural
- 14 yields.
- 15 §163D-C Agricultural projects; project facilities. In
- 16 accordance with section 163D-7 and section 163D-8, respectively,
- 17 the corporation shall:
- 18 (1) Develop and implement projects on lands it controls
- 19 within the Kunia special agricultural district; and
- 20 (2) Identify, plan, and develop project facilities,
- 21 particularly irrigation facilities, for agricultural

projects within the Kunia special agricultural 1 2 district. §163D-D Hawaii agricultural development revolving fund. 3 For purposes of this part, the corporation may use funds in the 4 Hawaii agricultural development revolving fund established 5 pursuant to section 163D-17. 6 **§163D-E** Linked investments; limitations. (a) A linked 7 investment is a certificate of deposit placed with a private 8 lender at an interest rate not more than two per cent below 9 current market rates; provided that the private lender agrees to 10 lend the value of the deposit to an eligible borrower at a rate 11 not more than the prime rate or seven and one-half per cent a 12 year, whichever is lower. A linked investment certificate of 13 deposit shall: 14 Earn a rate of interest of not less than two per cent 15 (1)16 a year; Not be subject to a penalty for early withdrawal; and 17 (2)Have a maturity of one year for the initial linked 18 (3) investment, which may be renewed for eight additional 19 one-year periods. 20 The director of finance may invest not more than ten 21 (b)

per cent of any moneys that are maintained in the custody of the

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- 1 director of finance for investment and reinvestment under
- 2 section 36-21 in linked investments through agreements with
- 3 private lenders.
- 4 (c) As used in this part, an "eligible borrower" means an
- 5 enterprise that proposes to be engaged in agricultural
- 6 activities in the Kunia special agricultural district.
- 7 §163D-F Linked investments; application; authorization.
- 8 (a) A private lender shall accept and review applications for
- 9 loans, determine that the applicant is an eligible borrower, and
- 10 prepare a linked investment loan package in the form and manner
- 11 prescribed by the director of finance. The loan package shall
- 12 include information on the amount of the loan requested, the
- 13 purpose of the loan, and the institution's certification that
- 14 the applicant is an eligible borrower.
- 15 (b) The director of finance shall accept or reject the
- 16 linked investment loan package or any portion of the package
- 17 based on the availability of state funds.
- 18 (c) Upon acceptance of the linked investment loan package,
- 19 the director of finance shall place a certificate of deposit for
- 20 the loan amount with the private lender.
- 21 §163D-G Loans. (a) Each separate loan made through
- 22 linked investments shall not exceed the amount of \$

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(b) Loans made through linked investments may be used for
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    the agricultural projects, project facilities, financing of
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    plant construction or expansion, the purchase of equipment and
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    materials, and working capital by an eligible borrower. Loans
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    made through linked investments shall not be used for the
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    purchase of real property."
         SECTION 2. Chapter 163D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    amended by designating sections 163D-1 to 163D-19 as part I,
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    entitled "General Provisions".
         SECTION 3. Section 36-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
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               The director of finance may invest any moneys of the
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    State which in the director's judgment are in excess of the
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    amounts necessary for meeting the immediate requirements of the
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    State and where in the director's judgment the action will not
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    impede or hamper the necessary financial operations of the State
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    in:
              Any bonds or interest-bearing notes or obligations:
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                   Of the State (including state director of
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                   finance's warrant notes issued pursuant to
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1		(C) For which the faith and credit of the United
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3		and interest;
4	(2)	Federal Farm Credit System notes and bonds;
5	(3)	Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation notes and
6		bonds;
7	(4)	Federal Home Loan Bank notes and bonds;
8	(5)	Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation bonds;
9	(6)	Federal National Mortgage Association notes and bonds;
10	(7)	Student Loan Marketing Association notes and bonds;
11	(8)	Tennessee Valley Authority notes and bonds;
12	(9)	Securities of a mutual fund whose portfolio is limited
13		to bonds or securities issued or guaranteed by the
14		United States or an agency thereof or repurchase
15		agreements fully collateralized by any such bonds or
16		securities;
17	(10)	Securities of a money market mutual fund that is rated
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19		rating agency or whose portfolio consists of
20		securities that are rated as first tier securities by
21		a nationally recognized statistical rating

1		organization as provided in 17 Code of Federal
2		Regulations section 270.2a-7;
3	(11)	Federally insured savings accounts;
4	(12)	Time certificates of deposit;
5	(13)	Certificates of deposit open account;
6	(14)	Repurchase agreements with federally insured banks,
7		savings and loan associations, and financial services
8		loan companies;
9	(15)	Student loan resource securities including:
10		(A) Student loan auction rate securities;
11		(B) Student loan asset-backed notes;
12		(C) Student loan program revenue notes and bonds; and
13		(D) Securities issued pursuant to Rule 144A of the
14		Securities Act of 1933, including any private
15		placement issues;
16		issued with either bond insurance or over
17		collateralization guaranteed by the United States
18		Department of Education; provided all insurers
19		maintain a triple-A rating by Standard & Poor's,
20		Moody's, Duff & Phelps, Fitch, or any other major
2.1		national securities rating agency;

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Commercial paper with an A1/P1 or equivalent rating by
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              any national securities rating service; [and]
              Bankers' acceptances with an A1/P1 or equivalent
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              rating by any national securities rating service; and
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              Linked investments established pursuant to section
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              163D-E;
    provided that the investments are due to mature not more than
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    five years from the date of investment. Income derived from
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    those investments shall be a realization of the general fund;
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    provided that income earned from moneys invested by the general
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    funds, special funds, bond funds, and trust and agency funds on
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    an investment pool basis shall be paid into and credited to the
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    respective funds based on the contribution of moneys into the
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    investment pool by each fund. As used in this section,
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    "investment pool" means the aggregate of state treasury moneys
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    that are maintained in the custody of the director of finance
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    for investment and reinvestment without regard to fund
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    designation."
         SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
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    revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of $50,000,000, or so
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    much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, to
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    be deposited into the Hawaii agricultural development revolving
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- 1 fund for the acquisition of land, development of agricultural
- 2 projects, development of project facilities, and assistance of
- 3 enterprises engaging in agricultural activities within the Kunia
- 4 special agricultural district in accordance with this Act.
- 5 SECTION 5. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the
- 6 agribusiness development corporation for the purposes of this
- 7 Act.
- 8 SECTION 6. In codifying the new sections added by section
- 9 1 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute
- 10 appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating
- 11 the new sections in this Act.
- 12 SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 14 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Agriculture; Kunia Special Agricultural District

Description:

Establishes Kunia Special Agriculture District; requires Agribusiness Development Corp. to acquire public and private lands within the district for the development of agricultural projects and project facilities; allows use of funds in the Hawaii agricultural development revolving fund and linked investment loans; makes an appropriation.