A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LAND.

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

1	SECTION 1. In an agreement between the land use
2	commission, a developer, and a landowner, approximately one
3	hundred and fifty acres of land was donated to the State in
4	exchange for a reclassification of the former Oahu Sugar
5	plantation lands to urban use. The land donated to the State
6	will be used as a buffer between the makai urban uses and the
7	mauka agricultural uses in Kunia and to stop the advancement of
8	residential properties in the Pearl Harbor Saddle area.
9	However, this new buffer area will not only create a
10	barrier, it will also provide an opportunity to expand farming
11	opportunities in prime agricultural lands. The legislature
12	recognizes the important role of agriculture to Hawaii's
13	economy, and opening this parcel to agricultural use will
14	provide economic diversity and protect important agricultural
15	lands located in the Royal Kunia area on the island of Oahu.
16	The purpose of this Act is appropriate funds to prepare a
17	master plan for the newly acquired one hundred fifty-acre
18	parcel.

9

- 1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$250,000, or so much
- 3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
- 4 developing a master plan for the one hundred fifty-acre
- 5 agricultural park in Royal Kunia on the island of Oahu.
- 6 SECTION 3. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the
- 7 department of agriculture for the purposes of this Act.
- 8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

INTRODUCED BY:

SB. NO. 2482

Report Title:

Royal Kunia; Agricultural Lands; Master Plan

Description:

Appropriates funds to create a master plan for a 150-acre parcel in Royal Kunia on the island of Oahu.