A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES FOR AKULE FISH MONITORING.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that to understand akule
- 2 fish activity, there is a need to collect and interpret data
- 3 about akule fish movements and habits of migration from Pearl
- 4 harbor to Ka'ena point, Oahu.
- 5 SECTION 2. The department of land and natural resources,
- 6 division of aquatic resources, shall increase the number of
- 7 commercial catch reporting grids from two to three along the
- 8 western coast of Oahu in the sector between Barber's point and
- 9 Ka'ena point by creating a new catch grid spanning the area
- 10 between Maile point and Kepuhi point. The new grid shall
- 11 incorporate sections of the current 402 and 403 catch grids,
- 12 such that 402 will be reduced to cover only the area from
- 13 Barber's point to Maile point, and 403 will be reduced to cover
- 14 only the area from Kepuhi point to Ka'ena point.
- 15 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$25,000 or so much
- 17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for the



- 1 department of land and natural resources, in conjunction with
- 2 the Hawaii institute of marine biology, to hire a contractor to
- 3 tag and monitor akule fish along the leeward coast of Oahu from
- 4 Pearl harbor to Kaena point, as more fully described in
- 5 section 2.
- 6 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 7 land and natural resources, in conjunction with the Hawaii
- 8 institute of marine biology, for the purposes of this Act.
- 9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

Report Title:

Akule Fish Monitoring; Appropriation

Description:

Makes an appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the purpose of monitoring akule fish from Pearl harbor to Ka'ena point. (SD1)