A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PRIVATE AGRICULTURAL PARKS.

	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:											
1	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that many times necessary											
2	cooperation between and among adjoining and neighboring											
3	agriculturalists is stifled by governmental regulation and											
4	oversight.											
5	The purpose of this Act is to encourage owners of											
6	neighboring agricultural lands to enter into cooperative private											
7	agreements to reduce the shared costs of generating and											
8	transmitting electrical energy, cold water for refrigeration and											
9	cooling, and nonpotable water for irrigation.											
10	SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by											
11	adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read											
12	as follows:											
13	"CHAPTER											
14	PRIVATE AGRICULTURAL PARKS											
15	§ -1 Private agricultural parks. (a) The owners of											
16	one or more contiguous parcels, including public lands, within											
17	the agricultural district may establish a private agricultural											
18	park. The owners shall register their private agricultural park											

- with the department of agriculture, on forms prescribed and 1 prepared by the department, which shall include the following 2 information for each private agricultural park: 3 The names and addresses of all its members; 4 (1)5 (2)The tax map parcel numbers and number of acres in each parcel to be included in the private agricultural 6 7 park; The types of agricultural activities and products 8 (3)9 being produced or to be produced by each member, including non-agricultural by-products that may 10 include renewable sources of energy for the production 11 of electrical energy or liquid fuel and cold water for 12 13 cooling, processing, and air conditioning purposes; 14 and 15 (4) Other information that the department of agriculture 16 determines may be of assistance in promoting the 17 private agricultural park; 18 provided that, by subsequent filings, a private agricultural park may add or delete members and parcels from its original 19 20 filing.
- park. (a) Within a private agricultural park, pursuant to
 HB1351 HD2 HMS 2009-2482



1	private	agreements	between	any	or	all	of	the	members	within	the
2	private	agricultura	al park,	one	or	more	e me	ember	s may:		

- (1) Engage in the generation of electrical energy from fossil fuel or renewable energy sources, including the use of falling water, biomass, wind, and solar energy.

 Any electrical energy generated within the private agricultural park, whether by a member or members or through an agreement between a member or members and a nonmember independent energy producer, may be produced, sold, transmitted, and consumed by any other member within the private agricultural park; provided that the transmission and distribution system is solely owned by a consumer cooperative association formed in accordance with chapter 421C;
 - (2) Collect, sell, and distribute cold water to any other member within the private agricultural park to operate cooling and processing facilities for agricultural products or for air conditioning;
- 19 (3) Collect, store, sell, and distribute nonpotable water
 20 for irrigation purposes to any other member within the
 21 private agricultural park; and

1	(4)	Eng	gage	in ar	ny of	ther l	awful	activit	ty 1	within	n the	e pr	ivate
2		agr	icul	Ltural	L pai	rk for	the	benefit	of	one o	or mo	ore	of
3		its	men	mbers.	. "								
4	SECT	ION	3.	This	Act	shall	take	effect	on	June	30,	205	0.

Report Title:

Agriculture; Private Agricultural Parks

Description:

Allows owners of contiguous parcels within the agricultural district to establish private agricultural parks registered with the Department of Agriculture. Specifies activities within a private agricultural park. (HB1351 HD2)