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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. Section 141-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended b	y amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
3	"(c)	Subject to legislative appropriation, moneys in the
4	special f	und may be expended for the following purposes:
5	(1)	The awarding of grants to farmers for agricultural
6		production or processing activity;
7	(2)	The acquisition of real property for agricultural
8		production or processing activity;
9	(3)	The improvement of real property, dams, reservoirs,
10		irrigation systems, and transportation networks
11		necessary to promote agricultural production or
12		processing activity[+], including investigative
13		studies to identify and assess necessary improvements
14		to dams, reservoirs, irrigation systems, and
15		transportation networks;
16	(4)	The purchase of equipment necessary for agricultural
17		production or processing activity:

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1	(5) Th∈	e conduct of research on and testing of agricultural	
2	pro	oducts and markets;	
3	(6) The	e funding of agricultural inspector positions within	
4	the	e department of agriculture;	
5	(7) The	promotion and marketing of agricultural products	
6	gro	own or raised in the State; and	
7	(8) Any	other activity intended to increase agricultural	
8	pro	oduction or processing that may lead to reduced	
9	imp	portation of food, fodder, or feed from outside the	
10	Sta	ate."	
11	SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue		
12	general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much		
13	thereof as may be necessary, which shall be deposited into the		
14	agricultural development and food security special fund and the		
15	same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary is appropriated		
16	for plans, design, engineering, investigative studies,		
17	construction, renovation, repair, maintenance, and equipment for		
18	dam, reservoi	r, or irrigation system improvements; provided that	
19	no funds shal	l be made available from the agricultural	
20	development a	and food security special fund under this Act unless	
21	private revenues are provided to match the funds made available		
22	from the agri	cultural development and food security special fund	
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1 ·	under this Act; provided further that the priority of projects
2	shall be based on the following criteria:
3	(1) Dams or reservoirs with a classification of "high
4	hazard", as defined in section 179D-3, Hawaii Revised
5	Statutes; or
6	(2) Dams or reservoirs with a high degree of existing or
7	potential dam or reservoir safety improvements
8	pursuant to Phase I or Phase II investigations.
9	SECTION 3. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the
10	department of finance for the purposes of this Act.
11	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
12	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
13	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.
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Report Title:

Agricultural Development and Food Security Special Fund

Description:

Expands the authorized uses of the agricultural development and food security special fund to include the improvement and investigative studies of dams and reservoirs. Authorizes director of finance to issue general obligation bonds for the special fund.

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