

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS ON AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 205-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows: 3 "(d) Agricultural districts shall include: 4 Activities or uses as characterized by the cultivation 5 of crops, crops for bioenergy, orchards, forage, and 6 forestry; 7 (2) Farming activities or uses related to animal husbandry 8 and game and fish propagation; 9 (3) Aquaculture, which means the production of aquatic 10 plant and animal life within ponds and other bodies of 11 water: 12 (4)Wind generated energy production for public, private, 13 and commercial use; 14 Biofuel production, as described in section (5) 205-4.5(a)(16), for public, private, and commercial 15 16 use; Solar energy facilities; provided that: **17** (6)

1		(A) This paragraph shall apply only to land with soil
2		classified by the land study bureau's detailed
3		land classification as overall (master)
4		productivity rating class B, C, D, or E; and
5		(B) Solar energy facilities placed within land with
6		soil classified as overall productivity rating
7		class B or C shall not occupy more than ten per
8		cent of the acreage of the parcel, or twenty
9		acres of land, whichever is lesser;
10	(7)	Bona fide agricultural services and uses that support
11		the agricultural activities of the fee or leasehold
12		owner of the property and accessory to any of the
13		above activities, regardless of whether conducted on
14		the same premises as the agricultural activities to
15		which they are accessory, including farm dwellings as
16		defined in section 205-4.5(a)(4), employee housing,
17		farm buildings, mills, storage facilities, processing
18		facilities, photovoltaic, biogas, and other small-
19		scale renewable energy systems producing energy solely
20		for use in the agricultural activities of the fee or
21		leasehold owner of the property, agricultural-energy
22		facilities as defined in section 205-4.5(a)(17),

1		vehicle and equipment storage areas, and plantation	
2		community subdivisions as defined in section	
3		205-4.5(a)(12);	
4	(8)	Wind machines and wind farms;	
5	(9)	Small-scale meteorological, air quality, noise, and	
6		other scientific and environmental data collection and	
7		monitoring facilities occupying less than one-half	
8		acre of land; provided that these facilities shall not	
9		be used as or equipped for use as living quarters or	
10		dwellings;	
11	(10)	Agricultural parks;	
12	(11)	Agricultural tourism conducted on a working farm, or a	
13		farming operation as defined in section 165-2, for the	
l 4		enjoyment, education, or involvement of visitors;	
15		provided that the agricultural tourism activity is	
l 6		accessory and secondary to the principal agricultural	
17		use and does not interfere with surrounding farm	
18		operations; and provided further that this paragraph	
19		shall apply only to a county that has adopted	
20		ordinances regulating agricultural tourism under	
21		section 205-5;	

1	(12)	Agricultural tourism activities, including overnight
2		accommodations of twenty-one days or less, for any one
3		stay within a county; provided that this paragraph
4		shall apply only to a county that includes at least
5		three islands and has adopted ordinances regulating
6		agricultural tourism activities pursuant to section
7		205-5; provided further that the agricultural tourism
8		activities [eoexist with] occur in the presence of a
9		bona fide agricultural activity. For the purposes of
10		this paragraph, "bona fide agricultural activity"
11		means a farming operation as defined in section 165-2;
12	(13)	Open area recreational facilities;
13	[+](14)[
14		resources development, as defined under section 182-1;
15		and
16	[+](15)[-] Agricultural-based commercial operations, including:
17		(A) A roadside stand that is not an enclosed
18		structure, owned and operated by a producer for
19		the display and sale of agricultural products
20		grown in Hawaii and value-added products that
21		were produced using agricultural products grown
22		in Hawaii;

1	(B)	Retail activities in an enclosed structure owned
2		and operated by a producer for the display and
3		sale of agricultural products grown in Hawaii,
4		value-added products that were produced using
5		agricultural products grown in Hawaii, logo items
6		related to the producer's agricultural
7		operations, and other food items; and
8	(C)	A retail food establishment owned and operated by
9		a producer and permitted under [+]title 11,[+]
10		chapter 12 of the rules of the department of
11		health that prepares and serves food at retail
12		using products grown in Hawaii and value-added
13		products that were produced using agricultural
14		products grown in Hawaii.
15	The o	wner of an agricultural-based commercial
16	opera	tion shall certify, upon request of an officer or
17	agent	charged with enforcement of this chapter under
18	secti	on 205-12, that the agricultural products
19	displ	ayed or sold by the operation meet the
20	requi	rements of this paragraph.
21	Agricultural di	stricts shall not include golf courses and golf
22	driving ranges,	except as provided in section 205-4.5(d).



- 1 Agricultural districts include areas that are not used for, or
- 2 that are not suited to, agricultural and ancillary activities by
- 3 reason of topography, soils, and other related characteristics."
- 4 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Description:

Clarifies that agricultural tourism activities must occur in the presence of a bona fide agricultural activity.

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