A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that coffee is the fourth 2 largest agricultural crop in the State and is a highly valued
- 3 commodity in Hawaii's economy. In recent years, the coffee
- 4 berry borer, a small beetle, has infested coffee crops in the
- 5 Kona and South Kona regions, and this infestation threatens the
- 6 viability of Hawaii's entire coffee industry. The legislature
- 7 also finds that ongoing efforts to control the coffee berry
- 8 borer are critical, and the State must take immediate action to
- 9 support these efforts.
- 10 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys for the
- 11 control and containment of the coffee berry borer.
- 12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$3,000,000 or so much
- 14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 for the
- 15 department of agriculture to fund efforts to control and
- 16 mitigate damage from the coffee berry borer infestation in
- 17 Hawaii.



- 1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 2 agriculture for the purposes of this Act.
- 3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.

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Report Title:

Coffee Berry Borer; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates moneys for control and containment of the coffee berry borer.

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