H.B. NO. H.D. 1

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

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1	SECTION 1. The University of Hawaii at Manoa college of
2	tropical agriculture and human resources cooperative extension
3	service is a part of the world's largest nontraditional
4	education system. The cooperative extension system can be found
5	in every state and in most countries. The system is a
6	partnership among federal, state, and local governments, and is
7	responsible for providing science-based information and
8	educational programs in agriculture, natural resources, and
9	human resources.
10	Through the cooperative extension system, the University of
11	Hawaii at Manoa college of tropical agriculture and human
12	resources developed the local and immigrant farmer education
13	program, which consists of a team of cooperative extension
14	agents and specialists with an established network of government

and industry partners. It has established a solid reputation

for delivering timely, useful, hands-on, quality extension

education to Hawaii's underserved and socially-disadvantaged

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- 1 producers. However, due to the present lack of federal funding,
- 2 the program is facing many challenges.
- 3 The purpose of this Act, therefore, is to appropriate funds
- 4 for the local and immigrant farmer education program of the
- 5 University of Hawaii at Manoa college of tropical agriculture
- 6 and human resources cooperative extension service to support the
- 7 growth and sustainability of the local agriculture industry.
- 8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 10 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 for
- 11 the local and immigrant farmer education program.
- 12 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of
- 13 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
- 14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.

## Report Title:

Appropriation; University of Hawaii; Local and Immigrant Farmer Education Program

## Description:

Appropriates funds to the Local and Immigrant Farmer Education Program of the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources Cooperative Extension Service to support the growth and sustainability of the agriculture industry. (SD1)

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