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 supporting local 2 agriculture is a strategic public investment that will build community resilience and strengthen the productive base of the 3 economy. The current lack of young farmers and ranchers with 4 the experience, skills, and ambition to undertake the rigorous 5 and complex work of farming and ranching as a business poses a 6 significant hurdle to revitalizing local agriculture. 7 address this problem, the legislature finds that rebuilding 8 existing programs that educate, support, and encourage youth for 9 agriculture careers, specifically Future Farmers of America and 10 4-H programs, is a timely and efficient means of achieving 11 community resilience and sustainability. 12 There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$75,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and the

13 14 15 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 16 2014-2015 for the implementation and operation of the Future 17 Farmers of America and 4-H programs to educate and support youth 18 HB LRB 13-0655.doc

- 1 in agriculture careers; provided that the funds shall be
- 2 apportioned between the Future Farmers of America and 4-H
- 3 programs as the department of education deems appropriate.
- 4 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 5 of education for the purposes of this Act.
- 6 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$75,000 or so much
- 8 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and the
- 9 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
- 10 2014-2015 for the University of Hawaii, college of tropical
- 11 agriculture and human resources to implement and operate the
- 12 Future Farmers of America and 4-H programs to educate and
- 13 support youth in agriculture careers; provided that the funds
- 14 shall be apportioned between the Future Farmers of America and
- 15 4-H programs as the University of Hawaii deems appropriate.
- 16 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
- 17 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
- 18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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H.B. NO. 486

Report Title:

Future Farmers of America; 4-H; Department of Education; University of Hawaii; College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to operate and implement the Future Farmers of America and 4-H programs.

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