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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 3 community resilience and strengthen the productive base of the 4 economy. The current lack of young farmers and ranchers with 5 the experience, skills, and ambition to undertake the rigorous 6 and complex work of farming and ranching as a business poses a 7 significant hurdle to revitalizing local agriculture. Тο address this problem, the legislature finds that rebuilding 8 9 existing programs that educate, support, and encourage youth for agriculture careers, specifically Future Farmers of America and 10 4-H programs, is a timely and efficient means of achieving 11 12 community resilience and sustainability.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 for the implementation and operation of the Future Farmers of America and 4-H programs to educate and support youth



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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 \$ 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.

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SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.

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Report Title: Future Farmers of America; 4-H; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Department of Education and the University of Hawaii to operate and implement the Future Farmers of America and 4-H programs. Effective July 1, 2030. (HB486 HD1)

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