## 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. To
8	address this problem, the legislature finds that rebuilding
9	existing programs that educate, support, and encourage youth for
10	agriculture careers, specifically Future Farmers of America and
11	4-H programs, is a timely and efficient means of achieving
12	community resilience and sustainability.
13	SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
14	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
15	much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and
16	the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
17	year 2014-2015 for the implementation and operation of the

- 1 Future Farmers of America to educate and support youth in
- 2 agriculture careers.
- 3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 4 of education for the purposes of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 7 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and
- 8 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
- 9 year 2014-2015 for the University of Hawaii, college of tropical
- 10 agriculture and human resources to implement and operate the 4-H
- 11 program to educate and support youth in agriculture careers.
- 12 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
- 13 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
- 14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

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## 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 the Department of Education to operate and implement the Future Farmers of America program. Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii, College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources to operate and implement the 4-H program. Effective July 1, 2050. (SD1)

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