A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The Hawaii invasive species council shall,
- 2 in coordination with the economic research organization at the
- 3 University of Hawaii, expand on the economic model formula that
- 4 establishes the impact and cost of mitigating the most
- 5 significant invasive species in the State.
- 6 (b) The Hawaii invasive species council shall submit a
- 7 report of the economic model formula to the legislature no later
- 8 than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session
- **9** of 2016.
- 10 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
- 12 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 to
- 13 contract with the economic research organization at the
- 14 University of Hawaii for services to establish an economic model
- 15 formula that establishes the impact and cost of mitigating the
- 16 most significant invasive species in the State.

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- 1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
- 2 invasive species council for the purposes of this Act.
- 3 SECTION 3. (a) In coordination with the Hawaii invasive
- 4 species council, the legislative reference bureau shall update
- 5 its 2002 study "Filling the Gaps in the Fight Against Invasive
- 6 Species" by reporting on:
- 7 (1) Mitigation and eradication efforts for the invasive
- 8 species identified in its report;
- 9 (2) Funding provided by the legislature since fiscal year
- 10 2002-2003 to assist in mitigation and eradication
- 11 efforts;
- 12 (3) The sufficiency of the funding; and
- 13 (4) The efficacy of the mitigation and eradication
- 14 efforts.
- 15 (b) The legislative reference bureau shall submit the
- 16 updated component of its study to the legislature no later than
- 17 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of
- **18** 2016.
- 19 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

Report Title:

Invasive Species; Mitigation; Economic Model Formula

Description:

Appropriates moneys to the HISC to contract with UHERO to establish an economic model formula to establish the impact and cost of mitigating the most significant invasive species in the State. Directs LRB, in coordination with HISC, to update its 2002 study to reflect costs and impact of mitigation efforts. (HB1040 HD1)

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