

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

July 10, 2017 GOV. MSG. NO. 1217

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 10, 2017, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1230 HD1 SD2

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST MAUIGROWN COFFEE, INC.

ACT 116 (17)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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Approved by the Governor

on JUL 10 2017

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, 2017
STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST MAUIGROWN COFFEE, INC.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that state support for
- 2 local agriculture serves the public interest. Hawaii's coffee
- 3 industry has become a successful agricultural sector and an
- 4 important economic driver for the State. After oil, coffee is
- 5 the second-most traded consumer commodity in the world; the
- 6 global market for Hawaii-grown coffee has increased
- 7 exponentially over the last several years.
- 8 MauiGrown Coffee, Inc. has achieved commercial success with
- 9 its limited operations in west Maui and now has the opportunity
- 10 to expand through leasing lands formerly used to cultivate sugar
- 11 cane by Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company in the Haliimaile
- 12 area. The legislature finds that the planned expansion of
- 13 MauiGrown Coffee, Inc.'s operations will create opportunities
- 14 for well-paying agricultural jobs for displaced sugar industry
- 15 workers under a collective bargaining agreement. These jobs

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- 1 will help lift the prevailing wages in the agricultural sector
- 2 and increase the State's revenue collections.
- 3 The legislature further finds that the consolidated lease
- 4 of large tracts of land to a single entity, as opposed to a
- 5 series of fragmented leases to multiple cottage producers, will
- 6 allow for the application of uniform land management and pest-
- 7 control programs, which will assist with the eradication of
- 8 pests such as the invasive coffee berry borer beetle.
- 9 The legislature finds that MauiGrown Coffee, Inc.'s planned
- 10 expansion and operation constitute a project under part X of
- 11 chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, assisting agricultural
- 12 enterprises, and is therefore eliqible for assistance through
- 13 special purpose revenue bonds.
- 14 The legislature finds and declares that the issuance of
- 15 special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in the public
- 16 interest and for the public health, safety, and general welfare.
- 17 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of
- 18 special purpose revenue bonds to assist MauiGrown Coffee, Inc.
- 19 with the expansion of its operations.
- 20 SECTION 2. Pursuant to part X, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 21 Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the

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- 1 approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose
- 2 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$13,000,000, in
- 3 one or more series, for the purpose of assisting MauiGrown
- 4 Coffee, Inc., a Hawaii corporation, with the expanded operation
- 5 of its coffee farm and mill in Puukolii, Maui. The legislature
- 6 hereby finds and determines that this expansion constitutes a
- 7 project as defined in part X, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 8 Statutes, and the financing thereof is assistance to
- 9 agricultural enterprise.
- 10 SECTION 3. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
- 11 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
- 12 shall be issued pursuant to part X, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 13 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue
- 14 bonds to assist agricultural enterprises.
- 15 SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is
- 16 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to
- 17 June 30, 2022, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in
- 18 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be
- 19 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized
- 20 in section 2 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds
- 21 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the

- 1 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special
- 2 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of
- 3 redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue
- 4 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in
- 5 section 2. In making this determination, the department shall
- 6 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal
- 7 income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature
- 8 authorized by this section.
- 9 SECTION 5. The authorization to issue special purpose
- revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2022. 10
- 11 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

APPROVED this ¹⁰ day of JUL , 2017

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2017 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017.

Joseph M. Souki

Speaker

House of Representatives

Mi L. Ille

Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 7, 2017 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Third Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate