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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:

HB478 HD1 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY **ACT 119 (17)** 

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor

**ORIGINAL** 

on \_\_\_\_\_UL 10 2017 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, 2017 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 119 H.B. NO. H.D. 1 S.D. 1 C.D. 1

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that rising prison
- 2 populations and shrinking correctional budgets have made
- 3 reducing costs important for correctional facilities.
- 4 The legislature further finds that prison farm programs can
- 5 reduce correctional costs by producing food in-house, increase
- 6 food self-sufficiency for correctional facilities, and address
- 7 the correctional issues of underused labor power and inmates in
- 8 need of programs and rehabilitation.
- The legislature further finds that inmates working on
- 10 prison farm programs tend to be less aggressive, less prone to
- 11 recidivism, and healthier, and tend to consume a higher-quality
- 12 diet. Farm inmates are also exposed to a functioning workplace
- 13 and gain benefits such as employability, time management and
- 14 responsibility skills, access to nature, individual and team
- 15 building skills, and conflict resolution.
- 16 Prison farm programs also offer a unique environment where
- 17 inmates learn a variety of technical skills and trades. Farm
- 18 inmates also learn the practice of horticulture, including

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- 1 caring for and identifying plants, managing and controlling
- 2 pests, applying planting and harvesting techniques, and
- 3 performing watering and weeding. Farm inmates also have the
- 4 opportunity to learn to drive and operate a tractor and learn to
- 5 repair farm machinery.
- 6 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for:
- 7 (1) A full-time temporary agricultural management position
- 8 and equipment for Kulani correctional facility
- 9 agriculture operations; and
- 10 (2) A full-time temporary agricultural management position
- 11 and equipment for Waiawa correctional facility
- 12 agriculture operations.
- 13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much
- 15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for the
- 16 establishment of one full-time equivalent (1.00 FTE) temporary
- 17 agricultural management position in the department of public
- 18 safety to manage agricultural operations at Kulani correctional
- 19 facility.
- The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 21 public safety for the purposes of this Act.

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- 1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much
- 3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for
- 4 equipment for Kulani correctional facility agriculture
- 5 operations, as determined to be necessary by the agricultural
- 6 manager.
- 7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 8 public safety for the purposes of this Act.
- 9 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
- 10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much
- 11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for the
- 12 establishment of one full-time equivalent (1.00 FTE) temporary
- 13 agricultural management position in the department of public
- 14 safety to manage agricultural operations at Waiawa correctional
- 15 facility.
- 16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 17 public safety for the purposes of this Act.
- 18 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general
- 19 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$50,000 or so much
- 20 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 for
- 21 equipment for Waiawa correctional facility agriculture

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- operations, as determined to be necessary by the agricultural
- 2 manager.
- 3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- public safety for the purposes of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

APPROVED this 10 day of

JUL , 2017

Amil Mye 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. Tellet

Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

## THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2017 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final 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