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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FOOD SUSTAINABILITY.

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

1       SECTION 1. (a) Pursuant to section 226-55, Hawaii Revised  
2 Statutes, the department of agriculture, in coordination with  
3 the office of planning, shall prepare and periodically update a  
4 functional plan for seafood sustainability that expands the  
5 State's priority on food by including wild seafood as a viable  
6 food source.

7       (b) As part of the functional plan for seafood  
8 sustainability, the department of agriculture shall consider the  
9 following:

10       (1) Establishing objectives, policies, and actions related  
11 to seafood sustainability;

12       (2) Researching the agricultural and economic impact that  
13 wild seafood has on food self-sufficiency in the  
14 State, including its influence on non-commercial  
15 consumption, such as community sharing and fisher  
16 household consumption, and exports;



(3) Collecting data on the wholesale and retail sales of wild seafood in the State;

(4) Classifying and regulating wild seafood as a food commodity in the State; and

(5) Incorporating the functional plan for seafood sustainability, in part or in whole, into the state agricultural functional plan related to increased food security and food self-sufficiency.

(c) The governor shall submit the functional plan, pursuant to section 226-56, Hawaii Revised Statutes, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2019.

(d) For the purposes of this section, "wild seafood" means naturally-born or hatchery-raised fish and shellfish harvested in the wild through commercial, recreational, or subsistence fishing, but excluding net-pen aquacultural or other farm-raised fish.

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.



**Report Title:**

Seafood Sustainability; Functional Plan; Department of  
Agriculture; Office of Planning

**Description:**

Requires the Department of Agriculture, in coordination with the  
Office of Planning, to prepare and periodically update a  
functional plan for seafood sustainability that expands the  
State's priority on food by including wild seafood as a viable  
food source. (HB1969 HD1)

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