
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 and department of land and natural
4 resources, shall prepare and periodically update a seafood
5 management study that expands the State's priority on food by
6 including wild seafood as a viable food source.

7 (b) As part of the seafood management study, the
8 department of agriculture shall consider the following:

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

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

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



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

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

(c) The department of agriculture shall submit the seafood management study, 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. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the department of agriculture, in coordination with the office of planning and department of land and natural resources, to prepare and periodically update a seafood management study.



1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
2 agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.



Report Title:

Seafood Sustainability; Seafood Management Study; Department of Agriculture; Office of Planning; Department of Land and Natural Resources; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Department of Agriculture, in coordination with the Office of Planning and Department of Land and Natural Resources, to prepare and periodically update a seafood management study that expands the State's priority on food by including wild seafood as a viable food source. Makes an appropriation. (SD1)

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