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S.B. NO. 2517

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that over the last
2 several decades, the State and the private sector have searched
3 for ways to reduce or eliminate food and solid waste products,
4 construction waste, and recycling materials. The agribusiness
5 development corporation is currently involved in a public-
6 private partnership to develop a zero waste conversion process
7 on the island of Hawaii converting papaya waste into fuel and
8 animal feed. The zero waste process utilizes every state of the
9 papaya plant, from seed to fruit, to reduce the amount of food
10 waste that is delivered to landfills while producing renewable
11 bioenergy fuel.

12 The legislature further finds that livestock feed costs for
13 feed shipped to Hawaii for local agriculturalists and
14 aquaculturalists often exceed sixty per cent of overall
15 livestock production costs in Hawaii. The agribusiness
16 development corporation seeks to broaden its waste-reduction and
17 recycling projects by partnering with a viable and qualified



1 entity to establish a livestock feed mill operation using waste
2 materials, such as unusable macadamia nut fruit and shells, and
3 converting the unusable parts and byproducts into aquaculture
4 and livestock feed. This process has shown great promise in
5 farm trials. The agribusiness development corporation will
6 assist with the development of the plans and design of the
7 operation, and will purchase the equipment to convert and
8 process the waste materials. The project partners will be
9 required to have adequate warehouse space to house the equipment
10 and be required to provide the labor for the manufacture and
11 sale of the resulting product.

12 The purpose of this Act is to further the State's goals of
13 reducing waste, reducing livestock production costs, and
14 producing animal livestock feed within the State to enable
15 agriculture and aquaculture operations in the State to thrive by
16 funding the planning, designing, and construction of a livestock
17 feed mill.

18 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
19 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much
20 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
21 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2018-2019



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1 for the purpose of planning, designing, and constructing a
2 livestock feed mill.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the agribusiness
4 development corporation for the purpose of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital
6 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at
7 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is
8 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
9 unencumbered as of June 30, 2020, shall lapse as of that date.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018
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INTRODUCED BY:





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Report Title:

Agribusiness Development Corporation; Livestock Feed Mill
Operation; Appropriation; GO Bonds

Description:

Authorizes the issuance of GO bonds and appropriates funds for the planning, designing, and constructing of a livestock feed mill.

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