
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the quality of local
2 papaya needs improvement to flourish as an export. While the
3 flavor and texture of local papaya is highly desired, shelf life
4 is too short to export in high quantities. Major factors that
5 may contribute to the poor quality of local papaya include the
6 transportation of the product, treatment for fruit fly control,
7 and handling, shipping, and storage of the product prior to
8 distribution.

9 The legislature further finds that developing and
10 establishing protocols to enhance the marketability of Hawaiian
11 papayas can help grow the market. The establishment of a market
12 standard will provide local farmers with good practices when
13 growing and harvesting papaya.

14 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the
15 agribusiness development corporation to:

16 (1) Identify factors that affect the quality of local
17 papayas; and



1 (2) Develop and establish protocols to enhance the
2 marketability of Hawaiian papayas.

3 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 to
6 identity factors that affect the quality of local papayas and to
7 develop and establish protocols to enhance the marketability of
8 Hawaiian papayas.

9 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the agribusiness
10 development corporation for the purposes of this Act.

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

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Report Title:

Agribusiness Development Corporation; Papaya; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the agribusiness development corporation to identify factors that affect the quality of local papaya and to develop and establish protocols to enhance the marketability of Hawaiian papayas. (SD1)

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