## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CORAL RESTORATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. There is established the ocean coral
- 2 restoration pilot project. The department of land and natural
- 3 resources shall plan and design an expansion of the Hawaii coral
- 4 restoration nursery, including improvements to the sea urchin
- 5 hatchery, to help recover and protect the State's reef
- 6 ecosystem.
- 7 SECTION 2. The department of land and natural resources
- 8 shall submit a report to the legislature no later than twenty
- 9 days prior to the regular session of 2021, on the outcomes of
- 10 the pilot project, including details on the plan and design for
- 11 the expansion, the anticipated cost of the expansion, and any
- 12 proposed legislation.
- 13 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$300,000 or so much
- 15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 to plan
- 16 and design an expansion of the coral restoration nursery.

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1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of

2 land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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### Report Title:

DLNR; Ocean Coral Restoration; Pilot Project; Appropriation

### Description:

Establishes a pilot project to plan and design an expansion of the Hawaii Coral Restoration Nursery, including improvements to the sea urchin hatchery. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.

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