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## 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 as the demand for
- 2 unskilled labor increases, farmers and ranchers continue to
- 3 search for alternative ways to operate their farms through
- 4 technology, like small equipment tractors from Japan. According
- 5 to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, small
- 6 equipment engines from foreign countries like Japan do not
- 7 comply with standard regulations.
- 8 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to
- 9 establish a pilot program to identify efficient foreign
- 10 agriculture small equipment and retrofit engines to comply with
- 11 Environmental Protection Agency standard regulations.
- 12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 14 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 to
- 15 establish a pilot program to identify and to purchase the outer
- 16 shell of foreign agriculture small equipment and retrofit

- 1 engines to comply with Environmental Protection Agency
- 2 standards.

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- 3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 4 agriculture for the purposes of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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# S.B. NO. 1149

#### Report Title:

Department of Agriculture; Small Agriculture Equipment; Appropriation

### Description:

Appropriates funds to establish a foreign agriculture small equipment pilot program to identify efficient agriculture equipment and retrofit engines to meet the United States Environmental Protection Agency's standards.

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