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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in Hawaii, the feral
- 2 pig population has been particularly damaging on farms and
- 3 ranches statewide, where their numbers have been growing
- 4 exponentially.
- 5 The legislature further finds that feral pigs pose a
- 6 significant threat to local economies by destroying agriculture
- 7 crops and livestock, damaging Hawaii's ecology by invasive seed
- 8 dispersal and competition with native wildlife, and posing a
- 9 threat to human health and safety.
- 10 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the
- 11 department of agriculture to develop an effective control plan
- 12 for reducing the population of feral pigs statewide.
- 13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 15 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and
- 16 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal

- 1 year 2020-2021 for the department of agriculture in their
- 2 efforts to:

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- 3 (1) Provide grants for fencing;
- 4 (2) Provide grants for corral traps; and
- 5 (3) Introduce a program to reduce feral pig populations.
- 6 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 7 of agriculture for the purposes of this Act.
- 8 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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Report Title:

Feral Pigs; Department of Agriculture; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the department of agriculture for feral pig control.

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