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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 there are no
- 2 certified agricultural appraisers in Hawaii. The legislature
- 3 further finds that commercial appraisers lack the specialized
- 4 knowledge required to accurately appraise agricultural
- 5 properties, which can result in appraisals for private
- 6 agricultural lands that are far higher than their actual value.
- 7 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
- 8 funds for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) agricultural
- 9 appraiser within the department of agriculture.
- 10 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$118,540 or so much
- 12 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 to
- 13 establish one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) agricultural
- 14 appraiser position.
- 15 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 16 agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

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

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INTRODUCED BY:

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S.B. NO. 2710

Report Title:

HDOA; Agricultural Appraiser; Appropriation

Description:

Makes an appropriation to fund 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) agricultural appraiser position within the Department of Agriculture.

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