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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEMP.

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

1           SECTION 1. Act 14, Session Laws of Hawaii 2020 (Act 14)  
2 established a registry for hemp processors within the department  
3 of health, created a hemp processor special fund within the  
4 department of health, and authorized the department of health to  
5 collect fees and fines for the program. Act 14 also tasked the  
6 department of agriculture with monitoring the transportation of  
7 hemp within the State and enforced certain state restrictions  
8 regarding the growth of hemp within the State. The Act did not  
9 establish a special fund within the department of agriculture to  
10 perform these duties. Allowing for the industrial hemp special  
11 fund to be used for these purposes will allow the department of  
12 agriculture to use the existing special fund to perform the new  
13 regulatory duties relating to hemp.

14           The purpose of this Act is to allow for the industrial hemp  
15 special fund to be utilized for the department of agriculture's  
16 responsibilities regarding hemp created by Act 14, Session Laws  
17 of Hawaii 2020.



1 SECTION 2. Section 141-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "~~{}~~ §141-14 ~~{}~~ ~~Industrial hemp~~ Hemp special fund;  
4 **established.** (a) There is created in the state treasury a  
5 special fund to be designated as the ~~[industrial]~~ hemp special  
6 fund to be administered by the department of agriculture.  
7 Moneys deposited in this special fund shall be used to fulfill  
8 the purposes of ~~[this]~~ part III and shall include:

- 9 (1) Any moneys appropriated by the legislature to the  
10 special fund;
- 11 (2) ~~[Any fees collected by the department of agriculture~~  
12 ~~in relation to the industrial hemp pilot program; and]~~  
13 All revenues from the operations of part III including  
14 all fees and fines;
- 15 (3) The interest or return on investments earned from  
16 moneys in the special fund~~{-}~~; and
- 17 (4) Grants and gifts made to the special fund.

18 (b) The department of agriculture may use the moneys in  
19 the special fund to carry out the purposes of ~~[this]~~ part III,  
20 including hiring employees, specialists, and consultants



1 necessary to complete projects related to the purposes of that  
2 part."

3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the hemp special  
4 fund the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be  
5 necessary for fiscal year 2021-2022 to be used for the purposes  
6 of this Act.

7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
8 agriculture.

9 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 5. This Act, upon its approval, shall take effect  
12 on July 1, 2021.



**Report Title:**

Department of Agriculture; Hemp Special Fund; Appropriation

**Description:**

Allows the industrial hemp special fund to be utilized for the department of agriculture's responsibilities regarding hemp. Makes an appropriation. (SD1)

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