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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that due to the current  
2 drought conditions on the island of Molokai and throughout Maui  
3 county, the State is seeing why the management of the deer  
4 population is so integral to Molokai's ecosystem and the health  
5 of the community.

6           The legislature further finds that having accurate herd  
7 counts is integral to deer population management efforts. The  
8 Maui branch of the department of land and natural resources  
9 division of forestry and wildlife should have the appropriate  
10 equipment to accurately count and track herd size of all game  
11 species; however, the cost of renting this equipment a few times  
12 would cost more than purchasing the equipment. As such, it  
13 makes sense for the department of land and natural resources to  
14 purchase this type of equipment to be proactive and better  
15 prepared when it comes to game management.

16           The purpose of this Act is to require the department of  
17 land and natural resources to purchase an Infrared Unit B2-FO



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1 for the Maui branch of the division of forestry and wildlife for  
2 the purpose of game management and collecting and tracking  
3 accurate herd counts.

4 SECTION 2. The department of land and natural resources  
5 shall prioritize within their base budget the purchase of an  
6 Infrared Unit B2-FO for the Maui branch of the division of  
7 forestry and wildlife for the purpose of game management and  
8 collecting and tracking accurate herd counts.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Department of Land and Natural Resources; Division of Forestry and Wildlife; Maui; Game Management

**Description:**

Requires the department of land and natural resources to purchase within its existing budget an Infrared Unit B2-FO for the Maui branch of the division of forestry and wildlife for game management and collecting and tracking accurate herd counts.

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