
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII FARM TO FOOD BANK PROGRAM.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to establish the
2 Hawaii farm to food bank program and provide a source of funding
3 for the program to fund state food banks to purchase, store, and
4 transport food grown or produced in Hawaii to local communities
5 for distribution. This program will serve the State's food
6 needs, provide local food producers with a market to support
7 their operations, and keep moneys circulating within the State
8 to boost the local economy.

9 SECTION 2. Chapter 371K, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and
11 to read as follows:

12 "PART . HAWAII FARM TO FOOD BANK PROGRAM

13 §371K-A Hawaii farm to food bank program. (a) There is
14 established the Hawaii farm to food bank program to be
15 administered by the office of community services within the
16 department of labor and industrial relations to relieve food
17 shortages experienced by residents of the State, including low-



1 income and unemployed families and individuals, by distributing
2 fresh locally grown or produced food to those persons.

3 (b) The office of community services shall make moneys
4 available to food banks located in the State pursuant to
5 subsection (a) using moneys in the Hawaii food assistance
6 program special fund established pursuant to section 371K-B.

7 (c) Food banks that receive moneys pursuant to this
8 section shall use the moneys to purchase, store, and transport
9 food grown or produced in the State to be distributed to
10 recipients at no cost to the recipients.

11 (d) For the purposes of this section:

12 "Food bank" has the same meaning as in title 7 United
13 States Code Section 7501(5).

14 "Fresh locally grown or produced food" means fruits,
15 vegetables, nuts, coffee, eggs, poultry, and poultry products,
16 livestock products, milk and milk products, aquacultural, and
17 maricultural products, and horticultural products, one hundred
18 per cent grown, raised, and harvested in Hawaii.

19 **§371K-B Hawaii food assistance program special fund. (a)**

20 There is established in the state treasury the Hawaii food



1 assistance program special fund into which shall be deposited
2 the following:

- 3 (1) Appropriations by the legislature to the special fund;
- 4 (2) Gifts, donations, and grants from public agencies and
5 private persons; and
- 6 (3) Interest accrued from moneys in the special fund.

7 (b) Moneys in the special fund shall be used for programs
8 to provide hunger relief to those in need.

9 (c) Moneys deposited into the special fund shall not lapse
10 to the credit of the general fund.

11 (d) Expenditures from the special fund shall be authorized
12 and administered by the office of community services for
13 purposes of the Hawaii farm to food bank program.

14 (e) The special fund shall not be subject to section
15 36-27, 36-30, or 37-53.

16 (f) All procurements executed pursuant to this part shall
17 be exempt from the requirements of chapters 103D and 103F;
18 provided that the exemption shall not apply to goods, services,
19 or construction that directly benefit the office of community
20 services, such as office computers, supplies, furniture,



1 flooring construction, consulting services, and any other
2 administrative or operational needs."

3 SECTION 3. Section 36-27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

5 "(a) Except as provided in this section, and
6 notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, from time to
7 time, the director of finance, for the purpose of defraying the
8 prorated estimate of central service expenses of government in
9 relation to all special funds, except the:

- 10 (1) Special out-of-school time instructional program fund
11 under section 302A-1310;
- 12 (2) School cafeteria special funds of the department of
13 education;
- 14 (3) Special funds of the University of Hawaii;
- 15 (4) Convention center enterprise special fund under
16 section 201B-8;
- 17 (5) Special funds established by section 206E-6;
- 18 (6) Aloha Tower fund created by section 206J-17;
- 19 (7) Funds of the employees' retirement system created by
20 section 88-109;



- 1 (8) Hawaii hurricane relief fund established under chapter
2 431P;
- 3 (9) Hawaii health systems corporation special funds and
4 the subaccounts of its regional system boards;
- 5 (10) Universal service fund established under section
6 269-42;
- 7 (11) Emergency and budget reserve fund under section
8 328L-3;
- 9 (12) Public schools special fees and charges fund under
10 section 302A-1130;
- 11 (13) Sport fish special fund under section 187A-9.5;
- 12 (14) Neurotrauma special fund under section 321H-4;
- 13 (15) Glass advance disposal fee established by section
14 342G-82;
- 15 (16) Center for nursing special fund under section
16 304A-2163;
- 17 (17) Passenger facility charge special fund established by
18 section 261-5.5;
- 19 (18) Solicitation of funds for charitable purposes special
20 fund established by section 467B-15;
- 21 (19) Land conservation fund established by section 173A-5;



- 1 (20) Court interpreting services revolving fund under
- 2 section 607-1.5;
- 3 (21) Trauma system special fund under section 321-22.5;
- 4 (22) Hawaii cancer research special fund;
- 5 (23) Community health centers special fund;
- 6 (24) Emergency medical services special fund;
- 7 (25) Rental motor vehicle customer facility charge special
- 8 fund established under section 261-5.6;
- 9 (26) Shared services technology special fund under section
- 10 27-43;
- 11 (27) Automated victim information and notification system
- 12 special fund established under section 353-136;
- 13 (28) Deposit beverage container deposit special fund under
- 14 section 342G-104;
- 15 (29) Hospital sustainability program special fund under
- 16 section 346G-4;
- 17 (30) Nursing facility sustainability program special fund
- 18 under section 346F-4;
- 19 (31) Hawaii 3R's school improvement fund under section
- 20 302A-1502.4;



1 (32) After-school plus program revolving fund under section
2 302A-1149.5;

3 (33) Civil monetary penalty special fund under section
4 321-30.2; ~~and~~

5 ~~[(34) []~~ Stadium development special fund under section
6 109-3.5 ~~[]~~; and

7 (35) Hawaii food assistance program special fund under
8 section 371K-B,

9 shall deduct five per cent of all receipts of all other special
10 funds, which deduction shall be transferred to the general fund
11 of the State and become general realizations of the State. All
12 officers of the State and other persons having power to allocate
13 or disburse any special funds shall cooperate with the director
14 in effecting these transfers. To determine the proper revenue
15 base upon which the central service assessment is to be
16 calculated, the director shall adopt rules pursuant to
17 chapter 91 for the purpose of suspending or limiting the
18 application of the central service assessment of any fund. No
19 later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular
20 session of the legislature, the director shall report all



1 central service assessments made during the preceding fiscal
2 year."

3 SECTION 4. Section 36-30, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

5 "(a) Each special fund, except the:

- 6 (1) Special out-of-school time instructional program fund
7 under section 302A-1310;
- 8 (2) School cafeteria special funds of the department of
9 education;
- 10 (3) Special funds of the University of Hawaii;
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14 section 88-109;
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16 431P;
- 17 (8) Convention center enterprise special fund established
18 under section 201B-8;
- 19 (9) Hawaii health systems corporation special funds and
20 the subaccounts of its regional system boards;



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- 20 fund established under section 261-5.6;



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2 27-43;
- 3 (24) Nursing facility sustainability program special fund
4 established pursuant to section 346F-4;
- 5 (25) Automated victim information and notification system
6 special fund established under section 353-136;
- 7 (26) Hospital sustainability program special fund under
8 section 346G-4;
- 9 (27) Civil monetary penalty special fund under section
10 321-30.2; ~~and~~
- 11 ~~+~~ (28) ~~+~~ Stadium development special fund under section
12 109-3.5 ~~[-]~~; and
- 13 (29) Hawaii food assistance program special fund under
14 section 371K-B,

15 shall be responsible for its pro rata share of the
16 administrative expenses incurred by the department responsible
17 for the operations supported by the special fund concerned."

18 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general fund
19 the sum of \$5,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for
20 fiscal year 2023-2024 to be deposited into the Hawaii food
21 assistance special fund.



1 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the Hawaii food
2 assistance special fund the sum of \$5,000,000 or so much thereof
3 as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024, with such moneys
4 to be used consistent with the Hawaii food assistance program
5 special fund.

6 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
7 labor and industrial relations; provided that the office of
8 community services may retain ten per cent of the appropriation
9 for its administrative costs in entering into and overseeing
10 contracts adopted pursuant to section 371K-A, Hawaii Revised
11 Statutes.

12 SECTION 7. In codifying the new sections added by section
13 2 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute
14 appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating
15 the new sections in this Act.

16 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
17 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.



Report Title:

Hawaii Farm to Food Bank Program; Hawaii Food Assistance Program; Special Fund; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes the Hawaii Farm to Food Bank Program and Hawaii Food Assistance Program Special Fund to alleviate food shortages in the State. Makes an appropriation. (SD1)

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