THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AQUACULTURE.

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

SECTION 1. The University of Hawaii college of tropical
agriculture and human resources, in consultation with the
department of agriculture, shall establish and administer an
aquaculture disease diagnostic laboratory to support the
development of the aquaculture industry.

6 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general 7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so 8 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and 9 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal 10 year 2024-2025 for the establishment of the aquaculture disease 11 diagnostic laboratory within the University of Hawaii college of 12 tropical agriculture and human resources, in consultation with 13 the department of agriculture, including procuring staff, 14 equipment, and supplies.

15 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University 16 of Hawaii college of tropical agriculture and human resources 17 for the purposes of this Act.



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1	SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
2	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
3	much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and
4	the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
5	year 2024-2025 for the establishment of one full-time (1.0 FTE)
6	aquaculture veterinarian position within the aquaculture and
7	livestock support services branch of the department of
8	agriculture's division of animal industry.
9	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
10	of agriculture for the purposes of this Act.
11	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.
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Report Title:

Aquaculture Disease Diagnostic Laboratory; Aquaculture Veterinarian; University of Hawaii; College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources; Department of Agriculture; Division of Animal Industry; Aquaculture and Livestock Support Services Branch; Positions; Appropriations

Description:

Requires the University of Hawaii, in consultation with the Department of Agriculture, to establish and administer an aquaculture disease diagnostic laboratory. Appropriates funds for the laboratory. Establishes and appropriates funds for an aquaculture veterinarian position within the Department of Agriculture.

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