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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

1           SECTION 1. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of  
2 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,  
3 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the  
4 appropriations contained in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023,  
5 and this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure  
6 ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by \$  
7 or           per cent. This current declaration takes into account  
8 general fund appropriations authorized for fiscal year 2024-2025  
9 in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023, and this Act only. The  
10 reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure ceiling are  
11 that:

- 12           (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to  
13           serve the public interest; and  
14           (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs  
15           addressed by this Act.

16           SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$           or so



1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 to  
2 support the aquaculture disease diagnostic laboratory at the  
3 state veterinary laboratory building in the department of  
4 agriculture animal industry division veterinary laboratory  
5 services branch, in partnership with the university of Hawaii  
6 college of tropical agriculture and human resources; provided  
7 that the sums shall be allocated as follows:

8 (1) \$ to support the aquaculture disease  
9 diagnostic lab in its development of the aquaculture  
10 production industry;

11 (2) \$ for the establishment of one full-time  
12 equivalent (1.0 FTE) permanent state aquaculture  
13 veterinarian position;

14 (3) \$ for the establishment of two full-time  
15 equivalent (2.0 FTE) permanent microbiologist III  
16 (SR-20) positions to support the recently hired  
17 veterinary medical officer III; and

18 (4) \$ for lab staff, equipment, and supplies to  
19 support the marine shrimp broodstock, koi, and oyster  
20 export efforts and the day-to-day support for the  
21 larger aquaculture production industry.



1           The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
2 of agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

3           SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

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# S.B. NO. 3324

**Report Title:**

DOA; UH; CTAHR; Aquaculture Disease Diagnostic Laboratory;  
Expenditure Ceiling; Appropriation

**Description:**

Makes an appropriation to support the Aquaculture Disease Diagnostic Laboratory at the Department of Agriculture Animal Industry Division Veterinary Laboratory Services Branch, in partnership with the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources. Declares that the general fund expenditure ceiling is exceeded.

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