
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) The commission on water resource
2 management and division of aquatic resources of the department
3 of land and natural resources, in partnership with the
4 University of Hawaii, shall conduct research on limu to
5 understand the impacts of groundwater use on groundwater-
6 dependent ecosystems.

7 (b) No later than twenty days before the regular session
8 of 2026, the commission on water resource management, division
9 of aquatic resources of the department of land and natural
10 resources, and University of Hawaii shall submit to the
11 legislature a joint report of their findings and
12 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, concerning
13 their research on limu and the impacts of groundwater use on
14 groundwater-dependent ecosystems.

15 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$250,000 or so much
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the



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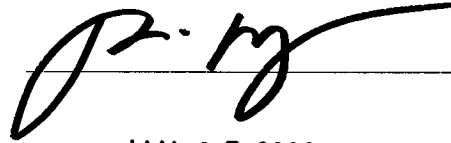
1 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
2 2024-2025 for research on limu to understand the impacts of
3 groundwater use on groundwater-dependent ecosystems.

4 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
5 of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

6 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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Report Title:

Limu Research; Commission on Water Resource Management; DLNR;
UH; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the commission on water resource management and division of aquatic resources of the department of land and natural resources, in partnership with the University of Hawaii, to conduct research on limu to understand the impacts of groundwater use on groundwater-dependent ecosystems. Requires report to legislature. Appropriates funds.

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