
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) There is established within the department
2 of agriculture a -year invasive species grant pilot program.

3 (b) The pilot program shall provide grants to qualified
4 applicants to assist the applicant in the removal of invasive
5 species from the applicant's property under the following terms,
6 conditions, and standards:

7 (1) The total amount of a grant to any one applicant shall
8 not exceed \$;

9 (2) No grant shall be awarded for costs that were incurred
10 prior to application submission and receipt of a grant
11 by the applicant;

12 (3) All grant moneys shall be used exclusively for the
13 purposes of eradicating invasive species on property
14 in the State that is owned by the applicant;

15 (4) The applicant shall comply with all applicable federal
16 and state laws prohibiting discrimination against any
17 person on the basis of race, color, national origin,



- 1 religion, creed, sex, age, sexual orientation,
2 disability, or any other applicable federal or state
3 laws;
- 4 (5) The grant shall not be used for the purposes of
5 entertainment or perquisites;
- 6 (6) All activities undertaken with grant funds received
7 shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and
8 county statutes and ordinances;
- 9 (7) The grantee shall:
- 10 (A) Indemnify and hold harmless the State of Hawaii
11 and its officers, agents, and employees from and
12 against any and all claims arising out of or
13 resulting from activities carried out or projects
14 undertaken with funds received from the pilot
15 program; and
- 16 (B) Obtain sufficient insurance to provide
17 indemnification under subparagraph (A), if
18 requested to do so by the department of
19 agriculture; and
- 20 (8) The grantee shall agree to make available to the
21 department of agriculture all records the grantee may



1 have relating to the grant to monitor the grantee's
2 compliance with the requirements of the pilot program.

3 (c) The department of agriculture shall adopt rules in
4 accordance with chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to carry
5 out the purposes of this Act, including rules on the standards,
6 policies, and procedures for the administration of the invasive
7 species grant pilot program.

8 (d) For the purposes of this Act:

9 "Invasive species" has the same meaning as in section
10 520A-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

11 "Qualified applicant" means any person, business, or
12 organization that owns property in the State.

13 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
15 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 to
16 provide grants under the invasive species grant pilot program
17 established by this Act.

18 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
19 agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

20 SECTION 3. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
21 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,



1 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the
2 appropriations contained in H.B. No. , will cause the state
3 general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be
4 exceeded by \$ or per cent. In addition, the
5 appropriation contained in this Act will cause the general fund
6 expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be further
7 exceeded by \$ or per cent. The combined total
8 amount of general fund appropriations contained in only these
9 two Acts will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling
10 for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by
11 \$ or per cent. The reasons for exceeding the
12 general fund expenditure ceiling are that:

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

17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

Invasive Species Grant Pilot Program; DOA; Appropriation;
Expenditure Ceiling

Description:

Establishes an invasive species grant pilot program to provide grants through DOA to individuals, businesses, and organizations for the eradication of invasive species on property located in Hawaii that is owned by the individual, business, or organization. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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