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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE FOOD SUPPLY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that the number of 2 animal slaughterhouses in the State, and their respective 3 capacities, are limited. Notably, only one slaughterhouse on 4 Oahu currently slaughters hogs. If any slaughterhouse ceases 5 operations, or ceases to slaughter any particular type of 6 animal, the effects on Hawaii's food supply, market, businesses, 7 and consumers could be devastating. The legislature therefore 8 finds that the State should avert this potential outcome and 9 ensure a sustainable source of animal protein for Hawaii's 10 consumers.

Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to:
(1) Require the agribusiness development corporation to
plan, design, construct, and operate a new animal
slaughterhouse on the island of Oahu; and
(2) Appropriate moneys for the slaughterhouse.



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1	SECT	ION 2. Chapter 163D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
2	amended b	y adding a new section to be appropriately designated	
3	and to read as follows:		
4	" <u>§</u> 16	3D- Animal slaughterhouse. (a) The corporation	
5	shall plan, design, construct, and operate an animal		
6	slaughterhouse on the island of Oahu. The slaughterhouse shall:		
7	(1)	Serve as a sustainable source of locally-born and	
8		raised animal protein; and	
9	(2)	Consider market conditions in determining the types	
10		and sizes of animals that should be slaughtered at any	
11		given time.	
12	<u>(b)</u>	The corporation shall comply with any requirements	
13	established by:		
14	(1)	The United States Department of Agriculture;	
15	(2)	The department of health; and	
16	(3)	Applicable law, including audit requirements."	
17	SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general		
18	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$4,000,000 or so much		
19	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 for a new		
20	animal slaughterhouse on the island of Oahu, as follows:		



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1	Plans \$600,000
2	Design \$400,000
3	Construction \$1,868,000
4	Equipment \$1,132,000
5	Total funding \$4,000,000
6	The sum appropriated shall be expended by the agribusiness
7	development corporation for the purposes of this Act.
8	SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
9	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.
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	INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

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