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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that an inevitable part
2 of remediating Lahaina to rebuild will be to replace the tons of
3 topsoil that are being removed because of toxic ash. The
4 legislature also finds that the amount of plant material and
5 other goods delivered to Maui to facilitate the rebuilding of
6 Lahaina will be immense and immediately requires additional
7 resources and facilities to help meet this need. The
8 legislature further finds that placing a biochar facility next
9 to a modular quarantine station that could be set up quickly at
10 Pulehunui could provide a good site with ready access to ports
11 for all the incoming material.

12 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
13 funds to the agribusiness development corporation for the
14 planning, design, and construction of a modular quarantine site
15 and biochar facility in the Pulehunui area.

16 SECTION 2. In accordance with section 9 of article VII, of
17 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and sections 37-91 and



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1 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined
2 that the appropriation contained in this Act will cause the
3 state general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025
4 to be exceeded by \$, or per cent. The reasons
5 for exceeding the general fund expenditure ceiling are that the
6 appropriation made in this Act is necessary to serve the public
7 interest and to meet the need provided for by this Act.

8 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$5,000,000 or so much
10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for the
11 planning and construction of a new inspection, quarantine, and
12 incineration facility on the island of Maui for use by the
13 department of agriculture; provided that no funds shall be
14 expended unless matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis by funds
15 from the county of Maui.

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



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1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

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Report Title:

HDOA; Maui; Inspection; Quarantine; Incineration; Appropriation;
General Fund Expenditure Ceiling Exceeded

Description:

Appropriates moneys to the Department of Agriculture for the planning and construction of a new inspection, quarantine, and incineration facility on the island of Maui. Declares that the appropriation exceeds the state general fund expenditure ceiling for 2024-2025.

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