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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AN AGRIFOOD AND AQUACULTURE SUMMIT.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that, to build on the
2 success of recent conferences convened by HIplan, including the
3 2022 Tropical AgTech Conference in Hilo and the 2023 THRIVE
4 Hawaii Agrifood Summit in Honolulu, hosting an agrifood and
5 aquaculture summit in Kona in Spring 2025 holds immense
6 potential. The legislature further finds that legislative
7 support through a \$100,000 sponsorship would be instrumental in
8 fostering continued international attention, inspiring local
9 entrepreneurs, and catalyzing growth in Hawaii's aquaculture
10 sector.

11 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate
12 funds to the department of agriculture's aquaculture and
13 livestock support services branch to host an agrifood and
14 aquaculture summit in Kona in 2025.

15 SECTION 2. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
16 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,
17 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the



1 appropriations contained in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023,
2 and this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure
3 ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by
4 \$ or per cent. This current declaration takes
5 into account general fund appropriations authorized for fiscal
6 year 2024-2025 in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023, and this Act
7 only. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure
8 ceiling are that:

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

13 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$100,000 or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for the
16 aquaculture and livestock support services branch of the
17 department of agriculture to host an agrifood and aquaculture
18 summit in Kona on the island of Hawaii, in 2025.

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



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

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Report Title:

DOA; Aquaculture and Livestock Support Services Branch; Agrifood and Aquaculture Summit; Expenditure Ceiling; Appropriation

Description:

Declares that the general fund expenditure ceiling is exceeded. Makes an appropriation to the Department of Agriculture Aquaculture and Livestock Services Support Branch to host an agrifood and aquaculture summit in Kona in 2025.

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