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H. B. NO. 279

A Bill for an Act Relating to Agricultural Unemployment Compensation and Amending Chapter 93A, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 93A-54, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 is amended as follows:

a. The title is amended to read:

“Section 93A-54. Accounting for benefits paid; assessment for advances.”

b. The following new subsection is added:

“(c) Every agricultural employer shall deposit with the director an amount of money which shall be used for advancing of benefit payments required by this chapter. The amount shall be reimbursed to the employer upon termination of his exclusion pursuant to section 93-77, provided that he has discharged his liability under this chapter. The amount required to be paid

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shall be determined as follows:

“(1) If an agricultural employer is subject to this chapter on the effective date of this Act, he shall pay a sum equal to .2 per cent of the wages paid by him for agricultural labor during the calendar year 1968. This amount shall be paid within thirty days after the effective date of this Act.

“(2) If an agricultural employer is not subject to this chapter on the effective date of this Act but becomes so subject thereafter, he shall pay a sum equal to .2 per cent of the wages paid by him for agricultural labor during the calendar year immediately preceding the year in which he became subject to this chapter; provided that if the employer was not engaged as an agricultural employer for the full calendar year immediately prior to becoming subject to this chapter, the director shall assess and collect an amount on the basis of estimated wages which the employer would have paid had he been engaged in agricultural employment for the full calendar year. This amount shall be paid within thirty days after being granted the exclusion under section 93-77. ‘Wages’, as used in this paragraph and the foregoing paragraph (1), shall have the same meaning as that given to the term in section 93-60.”

SECTION 2. Section 93A-55, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 is amended to read:

“**Section 93A-55. Revolving fund.** There is hereby established in the treasury of the State a special revolving fund, to be known as the agricultural unemployment compensation revolving fund, into which all payments made pursuant to section 93A-54 shall be paid.”

SECTION 3. The sum of \$40,000 which was appropriated from the general revenues of the State and paid into the revolving fund pursuant to section 93A-55, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 shall be reimbursed to the general fund of the State.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 23, 1969.)