

A Bill for an Act Relating to the University of Hawaii.

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

SECTION 1. **Purpose.** The legislature finds that agriculture is a significant part of the economic base of the island of Hawaii; that agriculture contributes immensely to the economic and social strength of the island of Hawaii and the State and will continue to influence the dynamics of the State's economy; that research and education are an integral part of agricultural development; that to strengthen the agricultural sector of the State, it is imperative the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture emphasize instruction and research relevant to the needs of the State; that the role of the university in agricultural research, education, and development be more clearly defined to reflect local and industry problems and needs; that this can be best accomplished by establishing a program of tropical agriculture at the University of Hawaii-Hilo and offering a four-year baccalaureate program designed to meet these needs; that the program should specialize in industry-related research, and be responsive to the needs of the agricultural community on Hawaii.

SECTION 2. **Means.** The board of regents of the University of Hawaii shall establish a program of tropical agriculture at the University of Hawaii-Hilo and offer a baccalaureate program commencing in September 1975.

SECTION 3. **Effective date.** This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1974.

(Approved June 10, 1974.)