

ACT 193

S.B. NO. 2745

A Bill for an Act Relating to Aquaculture.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 141, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding two new sections to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

**“§141- Fees for aquaculture services.** The department of agriculture may establish and assess fees pursuant to chapter 91 for:

- (1) Aquatic animal and plant health diagnostic services; and
- (2) Any items or expert services purchased from the department related to aquaculture planning, disease management, and the marketing of sea-food products;

provided that the assessment of these fees does not violate any other provision of this chapter.

**§141- Aquaculture development special fund.** (a) There is established in the state treasury the aquaculture development special fund into which shall be deposited:

- (1) Appropriations from the legislature;
  - (2) Moneys collected as fees for special microbiological and histological procedures and expert aquaculture-related services;
  - (3) Moneys collected from the sale of any item related to aquaculture development that is purchased from the department;
  - (4) Moneys directed to the aquaculture development program from any other sources, including but not limited to grants, gifts, and awards; and
  - (5) Moneys derived from interest, dividend, or other income from the above sources.
- (b) Moneys in the aquaculture development special fund shall be used to:
- (1) Implement the aquatic disease management programs and activities of the department, including provision of state funds to match federal grants; and
  - (2) Support research and development programs and activities relating to the expansion of the state aquaculture industry. Research and development programs and activities funded under this paragraph may be conducted by department personnel or through contracts with the University of Hawaii or other qualified persons.”

SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the aquaculture development special fund the sum of \$30,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2000-2001 to carry out the purposes of the aquaculture development special fund.

SECTION 3. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.<sup>1</sup>

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2000.

(Approved June 8, 2000.)

**Note**

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.