
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§103D- Hawaii agricultural products. (a) To encourage
5 the purchase and use of Hawaii agricultural products in the food
6 operations of state correctional facilities and state hospitals
7 and healthcare facilities, contracts shall be awarded to the
8 lowest responsible and responsive bidders, with preference given
9 to the agricultural products raised or grown in Hawaii.

10 (b) The policy board shall adopt rules in accordance with
11 chapter 91 governing preference for Hawaii agricultural
12 products. The rules shall establish percentages of preference
13 and the method of determining the qualifications of various
14 agricultural products for preference.

15 (c) The state procurement office, with the assistance of
16 the department of agriculture, shall develop a Hawaii
17 agricultural product program that shall require the state



1 purchasing agents of food operations at state correctional
2 facilities and state hospitals and healthcare facilities to:

3 (1) Apply a preference to the purchase of agricultural
4 products that are raised or grown in Hawaii before
5 purchasing agricultural products that are not raised
6 or grown in Hawaii; and

7 (2) Set goals to increase, in increments, the purchase of
8 Hawaii agricultural products from ten per cent per
9 year to a maximum of fifty per cent per year.

10 (d) The chief procurement officers shall periodically
11 review their specifications to determine whether discrimination
12 against procured Hawaii agricultural products exists and shall
13 revise these specifications to eliminate any discrimination.

14 (e) This section shall not apply whenever its application
15 will disqualify an agency from receiving federal funds or aid.

16 (f) For purposes of this section, "Hawaii agricultural
17 products" means any floricultural, horticultural, viticultural,
18 forestry, nut, coffee, dairy, livestock, poultry, bee, farm or
19 plantation products, and fish and aquacultural commodities
20 raised or grown in Hawaii."

21 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

22 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



REPORT Title:

Hawaii Agricultural Products; Preference; Procurement Code

Description:

Requiring the State Procurement Office (SPO) to develop a Hawaii agricultural product program that requires purchasing agents of food operations at state correctional facilities and state hospitals and healthcare facilities to apply a preference for the purchase of agricultural products raised or grown in Hawaii before purchasing products not raised or grown in Hawaii.
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