## A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A GRANT TO WEST MAUI SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Historically, the livestock industry has been a
- 2 significant contributor to the economy of the State. However,
- 3 in recent years, there has been a rapid and substantial decline
- 4 in industry numbers. Many attribute this decline to increasing
- 5 fuel costs that raise the transportation cost for imported feed,
- 6 supplies, and equipment.
- 7 The west Maui soil and water conservation district is
- 8 committed to establishing a working group that will assist and
- 9 provide methods and alternatives for livestock producers to use
- 10 that will allow them to continue their operations in Hawaii.
- 11 The working group will assist in bringing together livestock
- 12 producers, educators, technical assistance personnel, and
- 13 agricultural agencies to develop a statewide plan for a
- 14 sustainable livestock industry in Hawaii. The west Maui soil
- 15 and water conservation district has a long track record of
- 16 accomplishing tasks and it is appropriate that the west Maui

- 1 soil and water conservation district should spearhead the
- 2 statewide efforts of the working group.
- 3 The purpose of this Act is to make an appropriation for a
- 4 grant pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to the
- 5 west Maui soil and water conservation district to establish a
- 6 working group of representatives from the livestock industry and
- 7 other stakeholders to develop a plan for a statewide sustainable
- 8 livestock industry in Hawaii.
- 9 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 11 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 for a
- 12 grant pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to the
- 13 west Maui soil and water conservation district to establish a
- 14 working group to develop a plan for a statewide sustainable
- 15 livestock industry in Hawaii.
- 16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the west Maui
- 17 soil and water conservation district for the purposes of this
- 18 Act.
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

## Report Title:

Livestock Industry; Sustainable Livestock Industry; Appropriation

## Description:

Appropriates funds for a grant to the west Maui soil and water conservation district to establish a working group to develop a statewide sustainable livestock industry in Hawaii. (SD1)