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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LAND ACQUISITION.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the state  
2 constitution mandates the State to conserve and protect  
3 agricultural lands, promote diversified agriculture, increase  
4 agricultural self-sufficiency, and assure the availability of  
5 agriculturally suitable lands. The legislature notes that the  
6 state office of planning, in conjunction with the department of  
7 agriculture, recently prepared a report that advised the State  
8 to improve agricultural infrastructure, including parks,  
9 irrigation systems, and distribution systems and facilities, as  
10 part of a strategy to increase food security and food self-  
11 sufficiency.

12           The legislature further finds that the property on the  
13 island of Hawaii identified as Tax Map Key: (3) 6-8-001:030  
14 Kamuela, Hawaii, has recently been placed for sale. This  
15 property is about ten acres, zoned for agricultural use,  
16 contains seven buildings each equipped with irrigation and  
17 misting systems, and is currently used to grow plants. The



1 legislature notes that the property's size, type, and  
2 preexisting infrastructure make the property suitable for  
3 acquisition by the State so that the State can fulfill its  
4 constitutional obligations regarding agricultural lands.

5 The purpose of this Act is to direct the board of land and  
6 natural resources to enter into negotiations to acquire the  
7 property identified as Tax Map Key: (3) 6-8-001:030 Kamuela,  
8 Hawaii.

9 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the acquisition and application  
10 provisions set forth in section 173A-5(h) and (i), Hawaii  
11 Revised Statutes, the board of land and natural resources shall  
12 enter into negotiations to acquire the property identified as  
13 Tax Map Key: (3) 6-8-001:030 Kamuela, Hawaii. The board shall  
14 exercise its authority pursuant to section 173A-4, Hawaii  
15 Revised Statutes, to acquire the land.

16 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the land  
17 conservation fund established pursuant to section 173A-5, Hawaii  
18 Revised Statutes, the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may  
19 be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 to acquire the property  
20 identified as Tax Map Key: (3) 6-8-001:030 Kamuela, Hawaii, from  
21 Hanano Nursery, Inc.



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1           The sum appropriated shall be expended by the board of land  
2 and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

3           SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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**Report Title:**

BLNR; Agricultural Land; Acquisition; Appropriation

**Description:**

Requires BLNR to enter into negotiations to acquire the property identified as Tax Map Key: (3) 6-8-001:030 Kamuela, Hawaii. Appropriation.

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