

1 branches and of the office of Hawaiian affairs, and legislative
2 session staff.

3 § -2 State employee air travel carbon offsets program.

4 (a) The governor, the president of the senate and the speaker
5 of the house of representatives, the chief justice, and the
6 chairperson of the office of Hawaiian affairs shall implement a
7 program in their respective branches of state government to
8 require all agencies to participate in a carbon offset program
9 established and administered by the department of land and
10 natural resources to offset carbon emissions caused by air
11 travel undertaken by an employee of the agency in performance of
12 the employee's official duties. The cost of the offset shall be
13 paid to the department of land and natural resources by the
14 agency for their respective employees on a per trip basis at a
15 rate, which may include reasonable costs for administering the
16 program, determined by the department.

17 (b) The department of land and natural resources shall
18 establish and administer a carbon offset program that includes
19 the planting of trees endemic to Hawaii, including but not
20 limited to sandalwood varieties such as iliahi, laau ala, wahie



1 ala, aoa, and aahi. The department may adopt rules pursuant to
2 chapter 91 to effectuate the purposes of this chapter."

3 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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Report Title:

State Employees; Air Travel; Department of Land and Natural Resources; Carbon Offset Program

Description:

Requires state agencies to participate in a carbon offset program to offset carbon emissions caused by their employees' air travel. Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to establish and administer a carbon offset program.

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