
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ANIMAL INDUSTRY SPECIAL FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. The animal industry special fund was
2 established to receive moneys from the use or rental of animal
3 industry division properties or facilities and utilize them to
4 assist with division operation expenditures.

5 The state veterinary laboratory is in the animal industry
6 division. The veterinary laboratory provides laboratory
7 services and diagnostic support and conducts disease
8 surveillance projects involving poultry, swine, dairy, and other
9 livestock and aquaculture industries. The state veterinary
10 laboratory assists industries, practicing veterinarians, the
11 state animal quarantine branch, and other governmental animal
12 health agencies by providing a variety of testing services,
13 including pathology, histopathology, parasitology, and serology.

14 The functionality of the state veterinary laboratory was
15 reduced over recent years due to the loss of positions and
16 serious facilities problems. Those problems were resolved with
17 the complete renovation of the roof and air conditioning system



1 in 2019. All vacant positions in the lab were also filled in
2 2019. Therefore, the state veterinary laboratory is positioned
3 to perform at optimal capacity.

4 The purpose of this Act is to amend section 142-3.6, Hawaii
5 Revised Statutes, to allow the animal industry division to
6 deposit fees generated by the veterinary laboratory into the
7 animal industry special fund to assist with its operations.

8 SECTION 2. Section 142-3.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 "§142-3.6 Animal industry special fund. There is
11 established the animal industry special fund to be administered
12 by the board of agriculture. Moneys received by the board of
13 agriculture from:

- 14 (1) The use or rental of the division of animal industry's
15 properties or facilities, including the animal
16 quarantine property or facilities pursuant to section
17 142-3.5; [~~or~~]
- 18 (2) Appropriations or other moneys made available[~~7~~]; and
- 19 (3) Revenue generated from fees for diagnostic,
20 surveillance, and other work by the animal industry



1 division veterinary laboratory and animal disease
2 control branch,
3 shall be deposited into the special fund. All interest earned
4 or accrued on moneys deposited in the special fund shall become
5 part of the special fund. Moneys in the special fund shall be
6 expended to cover costs of the division of animal industry,
7 including the costs of salaries, fringe benefits, operating
8 expenses, equipment, motor vehicles, contract with any qualified
9 person or entity for livestock handling services, and operating
10 and maintenance of the animal industry facilities; provided that
11 moneys in the special fund may be used to fund the department's
12 resource management and planning programs. A reserve shall be
13 maintained in the special fund to cover contingency costs,
14 including accrued vacation leave, unemployment insurance, and
15 workers' compensation."

16 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
17 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



Report Title:

Department of Agriculture; Animal Industry Special Fund

Description:

Allows revenue generated by the state veterinary laboratory and animal disease control branch to be deposited into the Animal Industry Special Fund. Effective on 7/1/2020. (SD1)

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