
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that supporting local
2 businesses and encouraging the production and use of local
3 agricultural products is a matter of statewide concern. This
4 Act requires the departments of the State to ensure that a
5 certain percentage of produce that is purchased is
6 locally-grown, which will ensure the continued growth of local
7 produce, support local farmers and ranchers, and ensure that
8 revenue derived from the produce of contracts for locally-grown
9 produce remains in the State.

10 SECTION 2. Chapter 27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
11 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
12 read as follows:

13 "§27- Contracts for produce; percentage to be grown
14 within the State. (a) Each principal department of the State,
15 as defined in section 26-4, that purchases produce shall ensure
16 that a certain percentage of the produce purchased by that
17 department is locally-grown produce as follows:



- 1 (1) By January 1, 2025, locally-grown produce shall
2 constitute a minimum of ten per cent of the total
3 produce purchased by the department during each
4 calendar year, as measured by the cost of the produce;
- 5 (2) By January 1, 2030, locally-grown produce shall
6 constitute a minimum of eighteen per cent of the total
7 produce purchased by the department during each
8 calendar year, as measured by the cost of the produce;
- 9 (3) By January 1, 2035, locally-grown produce shall
10 constitute a minimum of twenty-six per cent of the
11 total produce purchased by the department during each
12 calendar year, as measured by the cost of the produce;
- 13 (4) By January 1, 2040, locally-grown produce shall
14 constitute a minimum of thirty-four per cent of the
15 total produce purchased by the department during each
16 calendar year, as measured by the cost of the produce;
- 17 (5) By January 1, 2045, locally-grown produce shall
18 constitute a minimum of forty-two per cent of the
19 total produce purchased by the department during each
20 calendar year, as measured by the cost of the produce;
21 and



1 (6) By January 1, 2050, locally-grown produce shall
2 constitute a minimum of fifty per cent of the total
3 produce purchased by the department during each
4 calendar year, as measured by the cost of the produce.

5 (b) Each principal department of the State shall submit a
6 report to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
7 convening of each regular session on that department's
8 progress toward meeting the benchmarks described in
9 subsection (a), including:

10 (1) The amount of total produce purchased by the
11 department during the calendar year preceding that
12 regular session, as measured by the cost of the
13 produce;

14 (2) The amount of locally-grown produce purchased by the
15 department during the calendar year preceding that
16 regular session, as measured by the cost of the
17 produce;

18 (3) The percentage of locally-grown produce purchased by
19 the department during the year preceding that regular
20 session; and

1 (4) If the department did not meet the relevant benchmark
2 described in subsection (a), an explanation of why the
3 department did not meet that benchmark.

4 (c) For the purposes of this section:

5 "Locally-grown produce" means produce that is one hundred
6 per cent grown, raised, and harvested in Hawaii.

7 "Produce" means fruits, vegetables, staple starches, nuts,
8 coffee, eggs, poultry and poultry products, livestock and
9 livestock products, milk and milk products, aquacultural and
10 maricultural products, and horticultural products."

11 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
12 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
13 begun before its effective date.

14 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.



Report Title:

Procurement; Produce Contracts; Local Produce; Specifications

Description:

Requires each state department to ensure that a certain percentage of the produce purchased by that department is locally-grown and report to the legislature on each department's progress toward meeting locally-grown produce benchmarks. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD2)

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