HB 185
MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CONTROL AND ERADICATION OF FRUIT FLIES

Statement for House Committee on Agriculture

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HB 185 appropriates State funds for ongoing research and development programs directed towards the eventual eradication of pestiferous flies from the State.

Our statement on this bill does not represent an institutional position of the University of Hawaii.

Considerable progress has been made through cooperative research programs conducted over the past several years involving USDA-ARS, USDA-APHIS, and units of the University of Hawaii. In view of the enormous economic benefits that would accrue to the State as a consequence of effective management of these pests, continued effort is warranted. The Federal commitment to this program is substantial. It seems appropriate that the State should contribute as well.