

COMPARISON OF GMO BILLS

<p>Bill 113 Margaret Wille</p> <p><i>“Protect Hawaii Island’s Agricultural Heritage and Its Ecosystems from Harm from Genetically Engineered Organisms.”</i></p> <p>Prohibition: No open air cultivation, propagation or development of genetically engineered crops or plants.</p> <p>Exemptions: crops or plants being cultivated, propagated or developed prior to the effective date of this article are exempted provided locations or facilities are registered within 90 days.</p> <p>GMO papaya in current and future locations is exempt provided commercial locations or facilities are registered.</p> <p>Administration: Department of Research & Development, Agriculture Division.</p> <p>Registration: \$100 annual registration fee beginning within 90 days of the effective date of article.</p> <p>Penalties: Violators fined \$1000 per day, per location and responsible for costs of investigation, court and legal costs, and for damage to non-GE crops, plants, neighboring properties or water sources.</p>	<p>Bill 109 Brenda Ford</p> <p><i>“Genetically Modified or Engineered Organisms Prohibited.”</i></p> <p>Prohibition: Unlawful to cultivate, develop or use any GMOs or to genetically modify any specific or non-specific parts of an organism’s genome.</p> <p>Exemptions: state/federal licensed medical or agricultural research institutions are exempt if contained in a biosafety level 3 facility.</p> <p>Sunset Date: cultivation, development or use of GMOs may continue for a period not to exceed 30 months.</p> <p>Administration: Department of Environmental Management.</p> <p>Registration: \$100 annual registration fee beginning within 60 days of the effective date of this article.</p> <p>Enforcement: Administrative Enforcement: Violators fined \$1000, and \$1000 per day of violation.</p> <p>Penal Enforcement: Violators who fail to comply are arrested for petty misdemeanor, fined \$1000 or 30 days in jail. Responsible for costs of testing, removal, destruction of GMOs, and remediation of property.</p>
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<p>Ad Hoc Committee Com #394</p> <p>The GMO bill is not about co-existence, but about transition. Recommendation that the Ad Hoc Committee be formed after a bill is passed and focus its work on supporting farmers to transition to non-GMO crops rather than the topics outlined in the Ad Hoc Committee proposal: co-existence, pesticides, pros/cons of indigenous/ecologically friendly farming.</p>	
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