A per acre transfer assessment on land transferred at a landowner's request from the "agricultural" classification to another classification (Urban or Rural)—with proceeds from the assessments to be dedicated to a State Ag Easement Program for IAL. If the per acre assessment is set, for example, at the average per acre cost of ag easements in Hawaii, one acre of agricultural land could be given increased, long-term protection from development for each acre lost from the "agriculture" classification.

It may be that stronger protection for a more limited number of acres in the "agricultural" category would be preferable to the present system in which Hawaii ag lands are protected more in theory than in practice.