



HB1996 HD1

Measure Title:	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.
Report Title:	Agricultural Theft and Vandalism Pilot Project; Appropriation (\$)
Description:	Establishes a two-year Agricultural Theft and Vandalism Pilot Project in the Department of Agriculture to focus on investigating and prosecuting agricultural theft and agricultural vandalism in the County of Hawaii. Appropriates funds.
Companion:	
Package:	None
Current Referral:	WLA/PSM, JDL/WAM
Introducer(s):	TSUJI, EVANS, KAWAKAMI, C. LEE, LOWEN, MIZUNO, YAMASHITA, DeCoite

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Hilo, HI

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Diana McClure

Kahului, HI

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I represent the Molokai Farm Bureau Members and we support HB 1996 HD1 which establishes a two-year agricultural theft pilot project to work with the county of Hawaii to hire an enforcement officer within the county of Hawaii to focus on investigating and prosecuting agricultural theft.

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Kualapuu, HI

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Lihue, ID

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Honomu, HI

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Waimanalo, HI

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Kaunakakai, HI

From: [Blake Rabe](#)
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Kapolei, HI

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Kihei, HI

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Honolulu, HI

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Kaneohe, HI

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