

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2015

RE: S.B. No. 376

S.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.B. No. 376, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve the health of children and the agricultural economy through the support of school gardens, health and nutrition education, agriculture, and the procurement of locally grown food for school meals and snacks by:

- (1) Establishing a Farm to School Program in the Department of Agriculture; and
- (2) Appropriating funds for a Farm to School Coordinator position to oversee the Program.

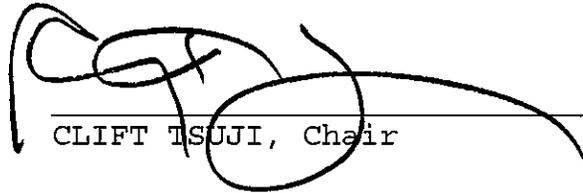
The University of Hawai'i System, two members of the Kaua'i County Council, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Hawai'i Green Growth, The Kohala Center, Hawai'i Farm to School and School Garden Hui, Kokua Hawai'i Foundation, Hawai'i Dietetic Association, Local Food Coalition, Hawaii Farmers Union United, National Farm to School Network, Hawaii Public Health Institute, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, Hawai'i State Teachers Association, and a number of concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Agriculture



supported the intent of this measure. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs submitted comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 376, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Agriculture,



CLIFT TSUJI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

House 1005

Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 376, SD2	Committee Referral: AGR, FIN	Date: 03/19/2015		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TSUJI, Clift (C)	/			
2. ONISHI, Richard H.K. (VC)	/			
3. BROWER, Tom	/			
4. CACHOLA, Romy M.	/			
5. CHOY, Isaac W.	/			
6. DECOITE, Lynn	/			
7. ITO, Ken				/
8. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	/			
9. KONG, Sam Satoru	/			
10. OHNO, Takashi				/
11. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	/			
12. WOODSON, Justin H.				/
13. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani				/
14. WARD, Gene				/
TOTAL (14)	9			5
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <i>[Signature]</i>				
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