

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2872

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2075
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2075 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SUSTAINABLE AND ORGANIC AGRICULTURE PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to support the growth and sustainability of Hawaii's local agriculture industry.

More specifically, this measure appropriates moneys to the University of Hawaii to support the Sustainable and Organic Agriculture Program administered by the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture; University of Hawaii System; OCC Legislative Priorities Committee, Democratic Party of Hawaii; and two concerned individuals.

Your Committee finds that supporting sustainable agricultural practices in the State will help to diversify the State's agriculture industry.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Changing the appropriation for the sustainable and organic agriculture program from \$250,000 to an unspecified amount;
- (2) Changing the amount allocated for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) educational assistant from \$70,000 to an unspecified amount;
- (3) Changing the amount allocated for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) research and extension assistant at the University of Hawaii at Manoa from \$70,000 to an unspecified amount;
- (4) Changing the amount allocated for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) research and extension assistant to serve the counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui, and the City and County of Honolulu, from \$70,000 to an unspecified amount;
- (5) Changing the amount allocated for operating expenses from \$40,000 to an unspecified amount;
- (6) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (7) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2075, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2075, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,

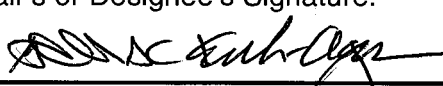


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2015	Committee Referral: HRE/AEN, WAM	Date: 2/28/18		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	X			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	X			
HARIMOTO, Breene	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
RIVIERE, Gil	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
TOTAL	11			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes