January 7, 2019

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,  
President and Members of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, HI 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker  
and Members of the House of  
Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting two (2) copies of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) Act 229: K-12 Agriculture Workforce Development Pipeline Initiative 2017-2018 Annual Report to the Legislature for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, as required by section 371-21(d), Hawaii Revised Statues (HRS).

In accordance with section 93-16, HRS, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at http://labor.hawaii.gov/find-a-report/.

Sincerely,

Leonard Hoshijo  
Director

Enclosure
K-12 Agriculture Workforce Development Pipeline Initiative

Report to the 2019 Legislature

State of Hawaii
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations
December 2018
The Legislature enacted Act 229 (SLH, 2016; 371-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes) to implement the recommendations of the Hawaii Agriculture Workforce Advisory Board to create an agriculture workforce development pipeline initiative. The intent was to facilitate training on all islands for teachers and school administrators regarding agricultural self-sufficiency.

The 2016 Legislature provided $200,000 for FY2016-17 for the initiative. However, no program activity occurred during FY2017-2018 because there was no appropriation. The Department can resume this initiative if funding is available.