

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1131

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2021

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RE: H.C.R. No. 61
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 61 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO ENSURE THE INCLUSION OF SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED FARMERS AND RANCHERS IN THE DEVELOPMENT, ADOPTION, IMPLEMENTATION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE LAWS, RULES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Department of Agriculture to ensure the inclusion of socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers in the development, adoption, implementation, and enforcement of food and agriculture laws, rules, policies, and programs.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Kuahiwi Ranch and five individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Agriculture.

Your Committee finds that this measure furthers the important conversation about supporting socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers and takes meaningful action toward equity in agriculture in Hawaii. With increasing national awareness surrounding issues of equity, equity in agriculture is finally being given the attention that it deserves.

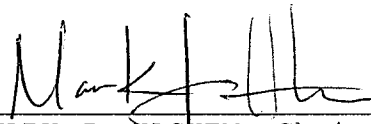
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Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 61, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 61, H.D. 1.

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



MARK J. HASHEM, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HR 61, ...</i>	Committee Referral: <i>AGR, CDE</i>	Date: <i>3/19/2021</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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. HASHEM, Mark J. (C)	✓			
2. PERRUSO, Amy A. (VC)	✓			
3. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
4. MARTEN, Lisa	✓			
5. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z.	✓			
6. TODD, Chris				✓
7. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
8. MATSUMOTO, Lauren	✓			
TOTAL (8)	<i>7</i>			<i>1</i>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <i>Mark J. Hashem</i>				
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