

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 14 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2009

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 2009 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MILK CONTROL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a \$300,000 minimum reserve requirement in the milk control special fund to cover contingency costs in the administration of the State's Milk Control Act; and
- (2) Include audits as a contingency cost to be covered by the reserve in the milk control special fund.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, and Ulupono Initiative.

Your Committee finds that the milk industry is vital to the State's economy and food security and must be safeguarded and protected in the public interest. A minimum reserve requirement will ensure the viability and protection of Hawaii's fragile dairy industry and help revitalize milk production in the State, and this measure will also ensure the availability of reserves for conducting audits related to milk control.

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 H.B.



No. 2009, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

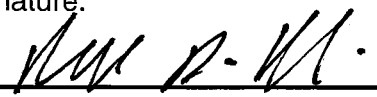
Clarence K. Nishihara

CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
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Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 2009	AGL, WAM	3/11/14		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.				✓
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	4			3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
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