

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 18, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 1177

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 H.B. No. 1177 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

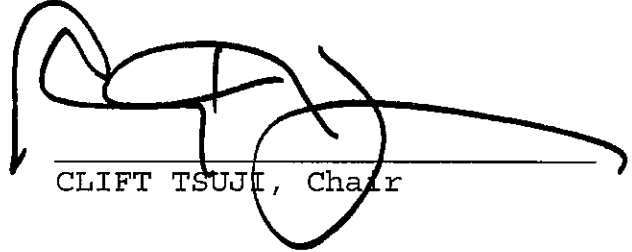
The purpose of this measure is to assist farmers and ranchers in applying for and obtaining grants offered by the United States Department of Agriculture and fulfilling the requirements of the grant by appropriating an unspecified sum to establish one full-time grant writer position within the Department of Agriculture.

The Department of Agriculture, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Hawaii Farmers Union United, Three Roads Farm, Counter Culture Food + Ferments, and a number of concerned individuals supported this bill.

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. 1177 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,



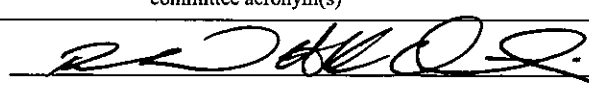
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CLIFT TSUJI, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-eighth Legislature **HSCR 277**

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 1177</b>	Committee Referral: <b>AGR, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2/10/2015</b>		
<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. ITO, Ken	/			/
7. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K.	/			
8. KONG, Sam Satoru	/			
9. OHNO, Takashi	/			
10. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	/			
11. WOODSON, Justin H.	/			
12. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	/			
13. WARD, Gene	/			
<b>TOTAL (13)</b>	<b>11</b>			<b>2</b>
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: <u></u>				
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