

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 4, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2555
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2555, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP,"

begs leave to report as follows:

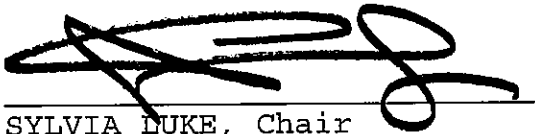
The purpose of this measure is to authorize industrial hemp to be grown as part of research conducted under an agricultural pilot program or other agricultural research to study the growth, cultivation, or marketing of industrial hemp under specific agreement with and under the authority of the Board of Agriculture.

ILWU Local 142; Maui Hemp Institute for Research and Innovation; the Kihei Community Association; We Are One, Inc.; Vote Hemp; Nellie's Rentals; the Hawaii Farmers Union United; and numerous individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Agriculture, the Department of the Attorney General, and one individual provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2555, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sylvia Duke', is written over a horizontal line.

SYLVIA DUKE, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature **HSCR 762-16**

Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB2555 HD1	Committee Referral: JUD, FIN	Date: 02/25/16		
<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)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	/			
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/			
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.	/			
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	/			
5. DeCOITE, Lynn				/
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/			
7. JORDAN, Jo	/			
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	/			
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	/			
10. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.	/			
11. LOWEN, Nicole E.	/			
12. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	/			
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	/			
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/			
15. POUHA, Feki	/			
16. WARD, Gene	/			
TOTAL (16)	15			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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