

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 13, 2006

RE: H.R. No. 234
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources and
Agriculture, to which was referred H.R. No. 234 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LAND USE
WORKING GROUP UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND
THE LAND USE COMMISSION TO ADDRESS LAND ISSUES RELATING TO
NON-AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITY ON AGRICULTURALLY CLASSIFIED
LANDS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to convene a Land Use Working
Group under the auspices of the Legislature and the Land Use
Commission to address land issues relating to non-agricultural
activity on agriculturally classified lands and to report their
findings and recommendations to the 2007 Regular Session of the
Legislature.

The Department of Agriculture, the Office of Planning, and
the Land Use Commission testified in support of this measure. The
Land Use Research Foundation and Hawaii Farm Bureau supported the
intent of this measure and offered their comments.

Written testimony in support of this measure was received
from the Sierra Club, the Maui County Farm Bureau, and the Hawaii
Association of Realtors.

Your Committees on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources and
Agriculture believe that this is an important and necessary step



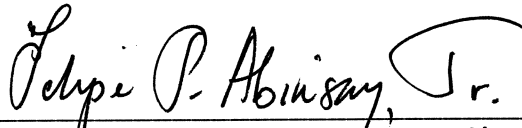
to take in effecting comprehensive reform of the state Land Use Laws.

Your Committees have amended this measure to:

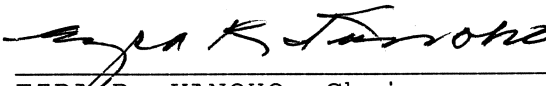
- (1) Clarify the members of the task force;
- (2) Specify issues to be addressed by the task force;
- (3) Change the title to more accurately reflect the body of this measure; and
- (4) Make technical nonsubstantive changes for style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources and Agriculture that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 234, as amended herein, and recommend its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 234, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Water, Land, &
Ocean Resources and
Agriculture,



FELIPE P. ABINSAY, JR., Chair



EZRA R. KANOHO, Chair



