

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 24, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2482
S.D. 2
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 Agriculture and Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred S.B. No. 2482, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LAND,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to expand agricultural opportunities on Oahu by appropriating an unspecified amount of funds to develop a master plan for the 150-acre agricultural park mauka of the Royal Kunia residential development.

The City and County of Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting and the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation supported this bill. The Department of Agriculture and Hawaii Agriculture Research Center supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committees note that a concern was raised regarding the financial and other effects, if any, that the provisions of Chapter 104, Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to wages and hours of employees on public works, may have on the development of the agricultural park. Your Committees support future legislative efforts to address this concern.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

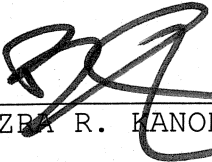
- (1) Inserting an appropriation amount of \$250,000; and

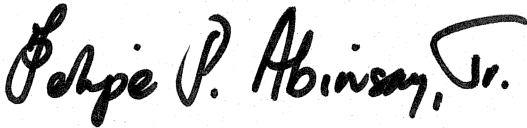


- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Agriculture and Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2482, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2482, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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


EZRA R. KANOFO, Chair


FELIPE P. ABINSAY, JR., Chair



