

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1008

Honolulu, Hawaii

March, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 400
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 400
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to support Hawaii's agricultural
industry by appropriating funds to implement drought mitigation
projects and strategies in each county of the State.

A Member of the Maui County Council, the Hawaii Agriculture
Research Center, Maui County Farm Bureau, Hawaii Crop Improvement
Association, and Hawaii Farm Bureau testified in support of this
bill. The Department of Agriculture and Department of Land and
Natural Resources supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

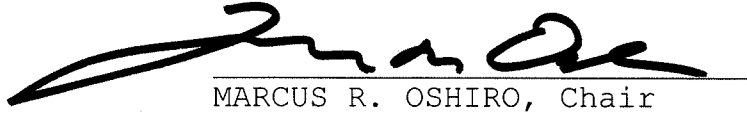
- (1) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified amount to
encourage further discussion;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to
encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity,
consistency, and style.

HB400 HD1 HSCR FIN HMS 2007-2669



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. 400, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 400, H.D. 1.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



