

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2079

Honolulu, Hawaii

A-218 , 2007

RE: S.C.R. No. 102  
S.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 Agriculture, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 102, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO STUDY LABELING REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO THE USE OF HAWAII-GROWN COFFEE NAMES AND STUDY THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO INSPECTION, CERTIFICATION, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR HAWAII-GROWN COFFEE, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to improve the regulation of Kona and other Hawaii-grown coffee by requesting the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to, among other things:

- (1) Study labeling requirements related to the use of "Kona coffee" and other Hawaii-grown coffee names; and
- (2) Examine the effectiveness of current statutes and rules relating to the inspection, certification, and grade and quality assurance of Hawaii-grown coffee beans.

Kona Coffee Council, Royale Island Coffee Hawaii, Hawaii Teamsters Local 996, Harold L. King & Co., Inc., Japan-America Society of Hawaii, Hawaii Coffee Company, Inc., and several concerned individuals supported this measure. A concerned individual supported this measure with amendments. DOA supported

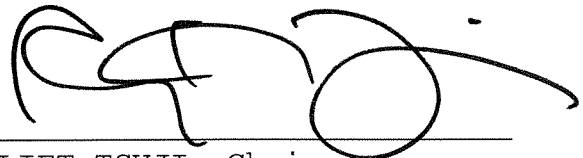
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the intent of this measure. Kona Coffee Farmers Association and several concerned individuals opposed this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 102, S.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

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



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CLIFT TSUJI, Chair



