

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 240-08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 8, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2501  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 2501 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIOSECURITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to prevent and control the spread of pests and illegal organisms by statutorily establishing, and providing funds for, the Department of Agriculture's Biosecurity Program.

The Department of Agriculture (DOA), Department of Transportation, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, Maui County Farm Bureau, Hawaii Agriculture Research Center, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Conservation Council for Hawaii, Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species, and the Sierra Club, Hawaii Chapter, supported this bill. The Department of Land and Natural Resources supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

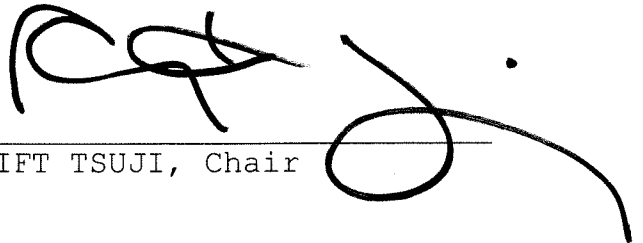
- (1) Clarifying that DOA may dispose of, instead of destroy, covered pests and other illegal organisms under the Biosecurity Program; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

HB2501 HD1 HSCR AGR HMS 2008-1880



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2501, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2501, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection.

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



CLIFT TSUJI, Chair



**Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2501	Committee Referral: AGR, EEP, FIN	Date: <i>2/6/08</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>B</i> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TSUJI, Clift (C)	/			
2. BROWER, Tom (VC)	/			
3. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D.	/			
4. CHANG, Jerry L.	/			
5. HANOHANO, Faye P.	/			
6. HERKES, Robert N.	/			
7. MANAHAN, Joey	/			
8. WAKAI, Glenn				/
9. YAMANE, Ryan I.	/			
10. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/			
11. CHING, Corinne W.L.				/
12. MEYER, Colleen Rose				/
TOTAL (12)	<i>9</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>3</i>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>Tom Brower</i></u>				
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