

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 12, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2516

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Agriculture and Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2516 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIOSECURITY,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to improve and enhance the infrastructure necessary to prevent the importation and spread of invasive species by:

- (1) Authorizing and appropriating \$5,000,000 in general obligation bond funds and appropriating \$5,000,000 in federal funds for the construction of joint biosecurity inspection facilities at Honolulu International Airport; and
- (2) Authorizing and appropriating \$1,500,000 in general obligation bond funds for planning and designing a joint biosecurity facility at Honolulu Harbor.

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

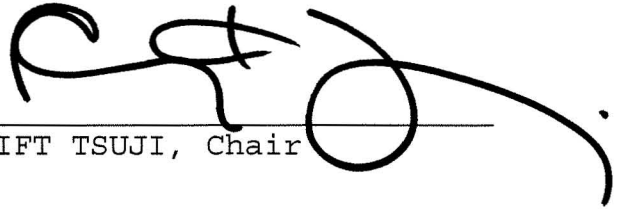


As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Agriculture and Energy & Environmental Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2516 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Agriculture and
Energy & Environmental
Protection,



HERMINA MORITA, Chair



CLIFT TSUJI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2516	Committee Referral: AGR/EEP, FIN	Date: 2/6/08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input 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)	9	0	0	3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Tom Brower</u>				
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