

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 29, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2593
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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2593 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DROUGHT MITIGATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to strengthen county efforts to alleviate the impact of droughts by appropriating funds for drought mitigation projects and measures in each county.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Maui County Farm Bureau, and several Maui County Council members testified in support of this bill. The Department of Land and Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture offered comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Inserting a defective date of July 1, 2020, to promote further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



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. 2593, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2593, H.D. 1.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



