

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1010

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2007

RE: H.B. No. 404
H.D. 2

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. 404, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to support diversified agriculture in Hawaii by appropriating \$1,000,000 in each year of the 2007-2009 fiscal biennium as a grant for the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation (HFBF) to conduct agricultural research and development.

The Department of Agriculture, University of Hawaii, HFBF, Hawaii Agriculture Research Center, Maui County Farm Bureau, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Hawaii Aquaculture Association, Hawaii Coffee Association, and Alexander & Baldwin, Inc., testified in support of this bill.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

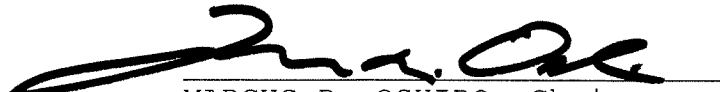
- (1) Removing the appropriation amounts;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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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. 404, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 404, H.D. 2.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



