

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2523
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred
S.B. No. 2523, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow the Department of
Agriculture to:

- (1) Regulate or prohibit the sale of plants or portions of
plants designated as restricted plants or noxious weeds;
- (2) Designate, by rule, as restricted plants, specific
plants that may be detrimental or potentially harmful.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the
Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources;
Chairperson of the Board of Agriculture; Conservation Council for
Hawaii; The Nature Conservancy; and the Sierra Club, Hawaii
Chapter.

Your Committee finds that by updating statutes regarding the
importation of plants and the scope of related Department of
Agriculture administrative rules, this measure will reduce the
risk that imported plants or plant parts will introduce pests,
diseases, or invasive plant species into the State.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report,

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your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2523, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Labor,


BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Judiciary and Labor
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
 If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312 Pass, with amendments 2311 Hold 2310 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TANIGUCHI, BRIAN T. (C)	✓			
HEE, Clayton (VC)				✓
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				✓
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:


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