

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

325

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 16, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 285
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 285 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEASUREMENT STANDARDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to provide a dedicated source of funding for the Department of Agriculture's (DOA) Measurement Standards Branch by establishing the Weights and Measurements Special Fund (Special Fund). In addition, this bill, among other things, requires DOA to adopt new rules or amend existing rules to impose or increase fees authorized to be charged under the Measurement Standards Program to generate sufficient revenues to pay for the operation and maintenance costs of the Program.

Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation supported this bill. DOA supported the intent of this measure. The Department of Budget and Finance submitted comments.

Your Committee respectfully requests your Committee on Finance to further review the merits of this measure, including the financial impacts of the provisions relating to the Special Fund and the rule change requirements.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and

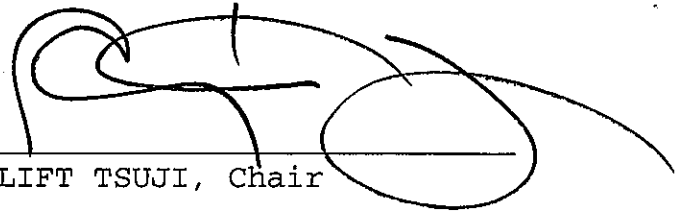
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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

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. 285, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 285, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



CLIFT TSUJI, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-sixth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 285	Committee Referral: AGR, FIN	Date: 2/9/11		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> 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. HASHEM, Mark J. (VC)	✓			
3. AWANA, Karen L.	✓			
4. BROWER, Tom	✓			
5. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
6. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
9. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
10. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.		✓		
11. RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
TOTAL (11)	10	1	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small style="margin-left: 100px;">committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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