

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 436-12

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 15, 2012

RE: H.B. No. 1948

H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 1948 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to deter agriculture theft by:

- (1) Strengthening the existing law to require proof of identification from sellers of agricultural commodities; and
- (2) Making the failure to maintain the required certificate of ownership or other written proof of ownership while in possession of the agricultural commodities prima facie evidence of the offense of theft in the second degree.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, W.H. Shipman, Limited, and an individual testified in support of this measure. The Department of Agriculture testified in support of the intent of this measure.

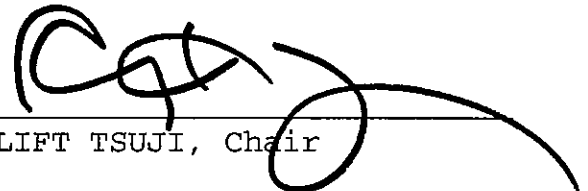
Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying the signage requirements for the offense of theft in the second degree with regard to aquacultural products and agricultural equipment, supplies, or products.

HB1948 HD1 HSCR AGR HMS 2012-1936



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. 1948, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1948, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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 1948	Committee Referral: AGR, JUD	Date: 2/8/12		
<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)	11	0	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ committee acronym(s) did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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