

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2150
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources and Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2150, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the use of photovoltaic systems producing energy for use in the agricultural activities of the fee or leasehold owner of property in agricultural districts.

The Hawaii Aquaculture and Aquaponics Association, Kamehameha Schools, and three individuals provided testimony in support of this measure. Hawaii Farm Union United provided testimony in support of this measure with amendments.

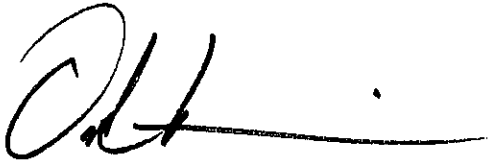
Your Committees have amended this measure by authorizing property owners in agricultural districts to use biogas and other small-scale renewable energy systems producing energy solely for use in the agricultural activities in addition to photovoltaic systems.

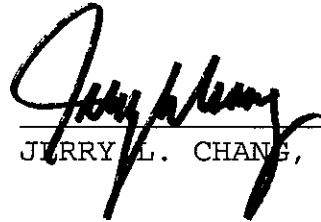
As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources and Energy & Environmental Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No.



2150, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2150, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources and Energy & Environmental Protection,

(for) 
DENNY COFFMAN, Chair


JERRY L. CHANG, Chair



