

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

701

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2011

RE: S.B. No. 1145
S.D. 2

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1145, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to move the State closer to its goal of reducing dependence on imported foods by implementing "food sustainability standards" requiring a certain percentage of all food sold for consumption to be grown within the State, with benchmarks set for 2020, 2030, and 2040.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from Russell S. Kokubun, Chairperson, Board of Agriculture; Angela Kaaihue, Waimalu Valley Ranch; Sierra Club, Hawaii Chapter; and Alani Apio.

Your Committee finds that there are multiple benefits to increasing the availability of locally produced food, including fresher produce with higher nutritional value, a decreased reliance on imported foods, and local economic growth. Establishing measurable standards for the amount of food that must be grown in the State will bring Hawaii closer to its goal of self-sufficiency and sustainability.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

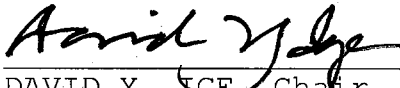
- (1) Changing the amount of net food sales that must be grown within the State to unspecified percentages; and



- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1145, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1145, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 1145, SD1	AGL, WAM	3-1-11		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
KAHELE, Gilbert	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	/			
RYAN, Pohai	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	14	0	0	0
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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