

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1443  
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 Agriculture, to which was referred S.B.  
No. 1443, S.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Departments of Agriculture and Land and Natural Resources to identify and map certain public lands to be considered for transfer from the Department of Land and Natural Resources to the Department of Agriculture;
- (2) Establish a timetable for the transfer of those parcels that have been identified and mapped;
- (3) Require the Department of Agriculture to identify, of those transferred public lands, which lands should be considered for designation by the Land Use Commission as Important Agricultural Lands;
- (4) Clarify that public lands that are transferred from the Department of Land and Natural Resources to the Department of Agriculture are subject to the standards established in chapter 205, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for identifying and designating Important Agricultural Lands; and



- (5) Require the Board of Agriculture to determine which incentives or uses for Important Agricultural Lands are to be made available to leases managed under the Board's Agricultural Parks and Non-Agricultural Park Lands programs.

Your Committee finds that this measure ensures that public lands that are transferred from the Department of Land and Natural Resources to the Department of Agriculture are subject to the same standards for identifying and designating Important Agricultural Lands. Your Committee further finds that this measure will provide a solid foundation for protecting the integrity of Important Agricultural Lands.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of 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 S.B. No. 1443, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1443, S.D. 2.

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

  
CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Agriculture**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB1443, SD1	WLH, AGL	Feb-24-11		
<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
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				✓
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				✓
SHIMABUKURO, Maile				✓
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>			<b>4</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Glenn Wakai</i>				
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