

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 23, 2011

RE: S.B. No. 145
S.D. 2
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 S.B. No. 145, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IRRIGATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds in unspecified amounts to provide additional funding needed for the repair and maintenance of certain irrigation systems throughout the State.

The Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Agriculture; Monsanto Company; Hawaii Agriculture Research Center; Syngenta Hawaii; Pioneer Hi-Bred International Kunia Research Center; Halms Enterprise, Inc.; Aloun Farms; and several concerned individuals supported this bill with amendments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by deleting its contents and inserting provisions that:

(1) Authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of:

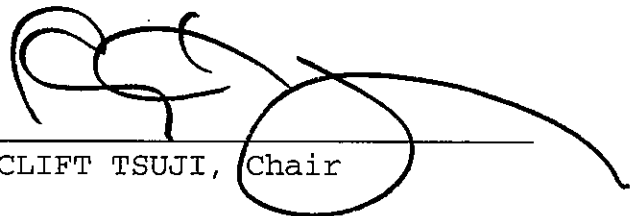
(A) \$9,960,000 for fiscal year 2011-2012; and



- (B) \$9,900,000 for fiscal year 2012-2013,
to finance capital improvements for certain irrigation
systems throughout the State;
- (2) Specify available federal matching funds for projects
that qualify for such funds;
 - (3) Extend the date upon which the appropriations will lapse
to June 30, 2015; and
 - (4) Change the effective date to July 1, 2020, to promote
further discussion.

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.
145, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second
Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 145, S.D. 2, H.D.
1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

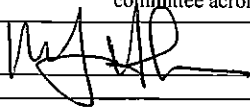
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Agriculture,



CLIFT TSUJI, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 145, SD2	Committee Referral: AGR, FIN	Date: 3/16/11		
<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)	11	0	0	0
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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