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HEARING BEFORE THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 2351
RELATING TO AGRICULTURE

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2:45 PM

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Kahele and Members of the Committee:

I am Brian Miyamoto, Chief Operating Officer and Government Affairs Liaison for the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation (HFBF). Organized since 1948, the HFBF is comprised of 1,800 farm family members statewide, and serves as Hawaii's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate and advance the social, economic and educational interest of our diverse agricultural community.

HFBF supports SB 2351 which proposes to establish the Department of Agriculture Operations Special fund to establish and operate an online system of licensure for commission merchants, dealers, brokers, agents, processors, and retail merchants of farm products.

SB 2351 proposes modern 21st century technologies that allow for more efficient, cost effective, and timely way of doing business.

HFBF applauds this type of action by the Legislature which will help to streamline and improve operations for the Department of Agriculture.

I can be reached at (808) 848-2074 if you have any questions. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.