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SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

TESTIMONY ON SB 3072, SD1
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Chair Ige, Vice Chair Kidani, 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 3072, SD1, which transfers title of certain lands in the Waiahole Valley Agricultural Park from the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to the Agribusiness Development Corporation (ADC).

From an agricultural industry standpoint, we believe that ADC is the more appropriate state agency that should have the authority to manage public lands within the agricultural land use district currently managed by Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation. HFBF believes that ADC is better positioned to develop Waiahole Valley Agricultural Park to its fullest potential.

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