

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1283

S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.B. No. 1283 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IRRIGATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the Director of Finance to issue general obligation bonds to finance improvements to the Kekaha ditch system, East Kauai irrigation system, Ka'u irrigation system, and Waiahole irrigation system.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness Development Corporation, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, Local Food Coalition, and Hawaii Cattlemen's Council. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that these funds are necessary to maintain and improve the State's critical irrigation systems to ensure a reliable supply of water for crops.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Appropriating funds from the State's general fund, rather than general obligation bonds, to improve the Kekaha ditch system and East Kauai irrigation system; and



- (2) 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. 1283, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1283, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Agriculture**  
**AGL**

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB1283	Committee Referral: AGL, WAM	Date: <i>2/7/13</i>		
<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				
<b>Members</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Aye (WR)</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Excused</b>
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				/
THIELEN, Laura H.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam				/
<b>TOTAL</b>	<i>5</i>			<i>2</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>				
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