

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 2013

RE: S.B. No. 752

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. 752 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish the agricultural land acquisition special fund for the purchase of agricultural land by the Agribusiness Development Corporation for the protection of agricultural lands, public land banking, promotion of farm ownership, and agricultural diversity;
- (2) Allocate an unspecified portion of the environmental response, energy, and food security tax to be deposited into the special fund; and
- (3) Require the Agribusiness Development Corporation to report annually to the Legislature summarizing all expenditures of special fund monies.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Agribusiness Development Corporation and Hawaii Cattlemen's Council. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Agriculture and Tax Foundation of Hawaii.



Your Committee finds that protecting agricultural lands and promoting farm ownership and agricultural diversity are vital to the State's economic sustainability and food resiliency. This measure will provide necessary funds to assist the Agribusiness Development Corporation in its mission to protect and promote farm lands.

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. 752 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

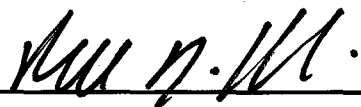


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB752	AGL, WAM	2/12/13		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input 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)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.		✓		✓
WAKAI, Glenn				✓
SLOM, Sam				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	4	1		2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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