

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1438

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 11 2013

RE: S.R. No. 38

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.R.
No. 38 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL
ENTITIES THAT HELP LOCAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS MEET FEDERAL
FOOD SAFETY AND FOOD SECURITY REQUIREMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to support efforts
by non-governmental organizations to develop opportunities and
solutions with local agricultural producers and value-added food
processors to enhance food safety and food security practices in
Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from Kohala Center, Malama O Puna, East Hawaii Community
Development Corporation, and eleven individuals.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii's food safety practices will
be enhanced by the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act but that
local agricultural producers are struggling to bring their
operations into timely compliance with the Act's requirements.
Non-governmental organizations such as the East Hawaii Community
Development Corporation are providing critical services to the
State by assisting local farmers in meeting the new federal
requirements for food safety despite limited governmental funds.
Your Committee finds that this body should support the efforts of
these non-governmental organizations and their significant
contribution to the State's food security and sustainability.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Naming 4 Ag Hawaii, Kohala Center, Malama Kauai, Ulupono Initiative, and the Sustainable Living Institute of Maui as additional non-governmental agencies that are assisting local agricultural producers in complying with federal food safety requirements, rather than recognizing the efforts of only the East Hawaii Community Development Corporation;
- (2) Adding the Chairperson of the Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii County Councils and the Chairperson of the Honolulu City Council as additional recipients of certified copies of this measure; and
- (3) 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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 38, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 38, S.D. 1.


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
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<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		
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	✓	
TOTAL	4	0
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Recommendation:		
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