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**TESTIMONY OF RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN
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**BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
WAYS AND MEANS**

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**SENATE BILL NO. 715, SD1
RELATING TO AGRICULTURE**

Chair Ige and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 715, SD 1. The purpose of this bill is to allow the department of agriculture (department) to enter into leases with the agribusiness development corporation. The department supports the intent of this bill, however, respectfully prefers the language contained in Senate Bill No. 753, SD 1.

The promotion and growth of agriculture in the state is a key component to reduce our reliance on imported food. The department believes that this bill will provide another tool to reach our food security goals.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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