

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 4, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1514

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 1514 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate moneys for the control and containment of the coffee berry borer, a small beetle that has infested crops in the Kona and South Kona regions.

The Department of Agriculture, Department of Land and Natural Resources, University of Hawaii, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, Hawaii Farmers Union United, Hawaii Coffee Association, Maui Grocery Service Inc., Royal Kona Coffee Visitor Center Mill and Museum, Hawaii Coffee Growers Association, Coffees of Hawaii, LLC-Molokai, Kona Coffee Council, Onouli Farm LLC, Greenwell Farms, Kona Coffee Farmers Association, Dole Waiialua Coffee, Maui Coffee Association, Hawaii Floriculture and Nursery Association, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, and numerous individuals submitted testimony in support of this measure.

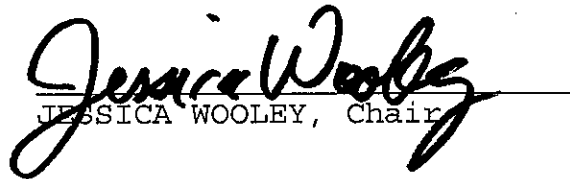
Your Committee finds that coffee is the fourth-largest agricultural crop in the State, is very important to the State's economy, and that the coffee berry borer is a dangerous invasive species that poses a serious threat to Hawaii's entire coffee industry. Your Committee also finds that ongoing efforts to prevent and control coffee berry borer infestations are critical to stopping this destructive pest from spreading from Hawaii island to other islands and that the State must take immediate



action to support these efforts and help protect the State's coffee industry.

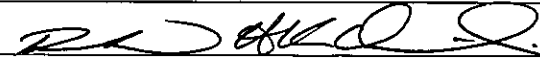
As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1514 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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


JESSICA WOOLEY, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1514	Committee Referral: AGR, FIN	Date: 1/30/2014		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. WOOLEY, Jessica (C)	/			
2. ONISHI, Richard H.K. (VC)	/			
3. AWANA, Karen	/			
4. BROWER, Tom	/			
5. CACHOLA, Romy M.	/			
6. CHOY, Isaac W.	/			
7. OHNO, Takashi	/			
8. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	/			
9. TSUJI, Clift	/			
10. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	/			
11. WARD, Gene	/			
TOTAL (11)	11			
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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