

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 13 2013

RE: S.B. No. 681

S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committees on Agriculture and Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B.  
No. 681 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD SECURITY,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a  
temporary food security task force in the Department of  
Agriculture to develop an emergency food plan that addresses  
certain food security issues.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Hawaii Organic Farming Association, Hui O Malama Aina,  
Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, and five individuals. Your  
Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from  
nine individuals. Your Committees received comments on this  
measure from the Department of Agriculture and one individual.

Your Committees find that the State must be prepared for a  
catastrophic event that could prevent cargo ships or aircrafts  
from reaching the State. For the health and safety of its  
citizens, the task force is necessary to identify an emergency  
food plan to feed the State should the State become isolated from  
the rest of the world.

After discussion, your Committees concluded that the  
Executive Director of the National Disaster Preparedness Training



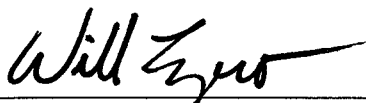
Center at the University of Hawaii would be better suited to act as Chairperson of the task force.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Placing the task force in the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center at the University of Hawaii for administrative purposes;
- (2) Naming the Executive Director of the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center at the University of Hawaii, or the Executive Director's designee, as Chairperson of the task force;
- (3) Retaining the Chairperson of the Board of Agriculture as a member, rather than the Chairperson, of the task force; and
- (4) Adding the Hawaii Organic Farming Association; Hawaii Longline Association; Taro Security and Purity Task Force; Hawaii Aquaculture and Aquaponics Association; and Hawaii Crop Improvement Association as invited members of the task force.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Agriculture and Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 681, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 681, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Agriculture and  
Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental and Military  
Affairs,



WILL ESPERO, Chair



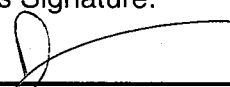
CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair





The Senate  
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**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs**  
**PSM**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 681	AGL/PSM, WAM	2/7/13		
<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 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
ESPERO, Will (C)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)				✓
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
GREEN, Josh	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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