

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 715
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 Water and Land, to which was referred S.B. No. 715 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to facilitate leases between the Department of Agriculture and the Agribusiness Development Corporation by:

- (1) Authorizing the Department of Agriculture to directly negotiate and enter into leases with the Agribusiness Development Corporation; and
- (2) Exempting the Agribusiness Development Corporation from non-agricultural park lands lease qualifications.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture and the Agribusiness Development Corporation. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from Puna Pono Alliance and two individuals.

Your Committees find that facilitating leases between the Department of Agriculture and the Agribusiness Development Corporation will assist in developing the long-term productive use of public lands for agricultural purposes.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:



- (1) Requiring that the leases entered into between the Agribusiness Development Corporation and the Department of Agriculture be approved by the Board of Agriculture; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Agriculture and Water and Land that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 715, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 715, 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
Water and Land,

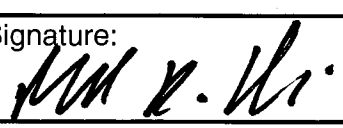

MALAMA SOLOMON, Chair


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate
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Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB715	AGL/WTL, WAM	1/31/13		
<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
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
THIELEN, Laura H.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam				/
TOTAL	6			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">  </div>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes

