

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1063**

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 21, 2013

RE: S.B. No. 937
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.B. No. 937, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII FOOD RESILIENCY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase food security and food self-sufficiency in Hawaii by:

- (1) Creating the Hawaii Food Resiliency Initiative under the Department of Agriculture;
- (2) Establishing the Hawaii Food Resiliency Task Force to develop and administer the Hawaii Food Resiliency Initiative; and
- (3) Authorizing the moneys in the Agricultural Development and Food Security Special Fund to be used to fund positions within the Department of Agriculture.

The Ulupono Initiative, Haiku Aina Permaculture Initiative, League of Women Voters of Hawaii, and a concerned individual supported this measure. The Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii opposed this bill. The Department of Agriculture, Office of Planning, and a few concerned individuals offered comments.

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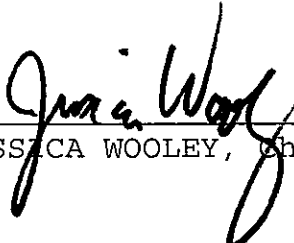


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Appropriating an unspecified sum to the Department of Agriculture to develop and implement the Hawaii Food Resiliency Initiative; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 S.B. No. 937, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 937, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



JESSICA WOOLEY, Chair



