

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 675

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 2013

RE: S.B. No. 992
S.D. 2

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 992, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIVESTOCK BIOSECURITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to promote biosecurity by authorizing the Department of Agriculture to issue loans for biosecurity projects to qualified farmers.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture, Ulupono Initiative, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that increased federal biosecurity regulations help protect livestock from pests and diseases and help ensure the health and safety of farmers and consumers. These regulations often add costs, but rarely increase farmers' profits. Authorizing the Department of Agriculture to issue low-interest biosecurity loans will help the livestock industry meet federal regulations, while spreading the costs of federal compliance over time.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your

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Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 992, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 992, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,

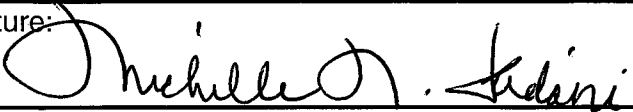
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DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 992, SD1	Committee Referral: AGL, WAM	Date: 2-21-13		
<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
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	12	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes