STAND. COM. REP. NO. 671 -16

Honolulu, Hawaii Narch 3 , 2016 RE: H.B. No. 1997

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1997 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to promote the expansion and development of the State's agricultural industry by:

- (1) Establishing the K-12 Agriculture Workforce Development Pipeline Initiative Program (Program) in the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to conduct training sessions in agricultural self-sufficiency for teachers and school administrators on the islands of Oahu, Hawaii, Maui, Molokai, Lanai, and Kauai; and
- (2) Making an appropriation for the Program.

The University of Hawaii System, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, and Hawaii Farm Bureau provided testimony in support of this measure. The Department of Agriculture, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, and Department of Education provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1997 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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

Chair SYLVIA DUKE,



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## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance**

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:	Date:		
нв1997	AGR, LAB, FIN		02/25/16	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold				
Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.				
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
5. DeCOITE, Lynn				
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling				
7. JORDAN, Jo				
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett				
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
10. LoPRESTI, Matthew S.				
11. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
12. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/			<u>    .                                </u>
15. POUHA, Feki				
16. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (16)	- (5			
The recommendation is: Adopted D Not Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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