

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2132

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 11 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2516

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Water, Land, and Agriculture and Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2516 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RAT LUNGWORM DISEASE,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to the University of Hawaii at Hilo, Department of Health, and Department of Land and Natural Resources for programs, studies, and activities related to the prevention and eradication of rat lungworm disease.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Department of Health, Big Island Invasive Species Committee, University of Hawai'i System, Hawaii Farmers Union United, Kua O Ka Lā, GMO Free Maui, Life of the Land, We Are One, Evening Rain Farm, Maui Venture Consulting LLC, Hawaii Island School Garden Network, Puna Community Medical Center, and one hundred thirty individuals.

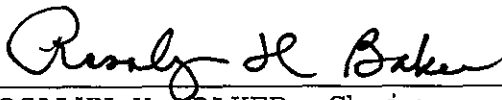
Your Committees find that the Department of Health has reported over seventy cases of rat lungworm disease since 2001. The disease has claimed lives and caused crippling chronic disability to residents and visitors of Hawaii. The Hawaii Island Rat Lungworm Disease Working Group at the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy at the University of Hawaii at Hilo has been conducting research and educational outreach on the disease for the past four years; however, there remains much more to learn



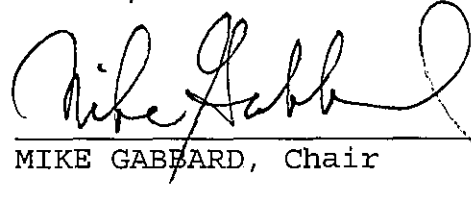
about this devastating disease. Your Committees therefore find it necessary to provide resources to assist in the prevention and eradication of rat lungworm disease.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water, Land, and Agriculture and Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2516 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Water, Land, and
Agriculture and Commerce,
Consumer Protection, and
Health,



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

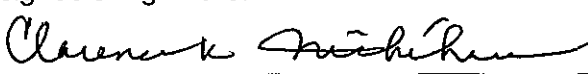


MIKE GABEARD, Chair



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The Recommendation is:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
GABBARD, Mike (C)	✓	
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	✓	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓	
RIVIERE, Gil	✓	
RUDERMAN, Russell E.		✓
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓	
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓	
WAKAI, Glenn		✓
SLOM, Sam	✓	
TOTAL	7	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 		
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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
IHARA, Jr., Les	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				/
SLOM, Sam	/			
TOTAL	6			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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