

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1055

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1559
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development, Tourism, and
Technology, to which was referred H.B. No. 1559, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate
funds for the Department of Business, Economic Development, and
Tourism to address the Food and Drug Administration's industry
guidance on the use of color additives in sea salt products.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and
Tourism; Chamber of Commerce Hawaii; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the Department of Business,
Economic Development, and Tourism will need professional and
knowledgeable assistance to address the complex issue of the Food
and Drug Administration's industry guidelines pertaining to color
additives in sea salt products. Your Committee finds that
Hawaiian sea salts are very popular in Hawaii and around the
world. Your Committee further finds that local companies selling
Hawaiian sea salts need support to address the federal guidelines
to be able to continue selling their products locally and abroad.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Clarifying that the appropriation shall be used to provide guidance and support specifically for locally produced or cultivated sea salt products; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development, Tourism, and Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1559, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1559, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Economic
Development, Tourism, and
Technology,

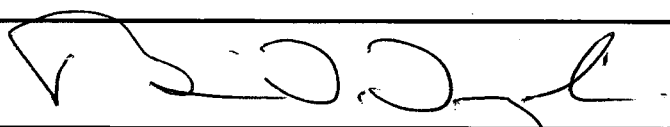


GLENN WAKAI, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 1559 HD1	ETT, WAM	3/15/17		
<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
WAKAI, Glenn (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.				✓
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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