

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1154

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 21, 2017

RE: S.B. No. 340
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.B. No. 340, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO URBAN AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the counties to incorporate urban agriculture principles and policies in land use planning.

Three individuals supported this measure. The Department of Agriculture and Hawaii Farm Bureau supported the intent of this measure. The Maui Planning Department provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 31, 2150, to encourage further discussion.

Should this measure be deliberated further, your Committee respectfully requests that the counties weigh in on this measure because of the ramifications this measure may have on the counties, particularly for Oahu.

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.

SB340 HD1 HSCR AGR HMS 2017-3013



340, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 340, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Water & Land.

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



RICHARD P. CREAGAN, Chair



