

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

630

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2017

RE: S.B. No. 839  
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 Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 839 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUNA DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL PARK,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds for a feasibility study for planning and land acquisition for an agricultural park in the Puna district to provide access to agricultural lands for small scale farmers.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture, Department of Land and Natural Resources, the Mayor of the County of Hawaii, Hawaii Farm Bureau, Hawaii Farmers Union United, and three individuals.

Your Committee finds that Puna is the fastest growing district in the County of Hawaii. Your Committee further finds that an agricultural park in the Puna district would provide economic opportunities and increase local food production in the district in alignment with the State's food sustainability goals.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the amount appropriated in fiscal year 2017-2018 and fiscal year 2018-2019 from \$250,000 to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to March 9, 2092, to facilitate 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 Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 839, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 839, S.D. 1.

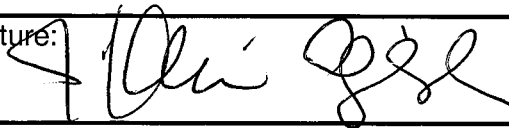
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 839	AEN/WTL, WAM	27 Feb 2017		
<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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)				/
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				/
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				/
WAKAI, Glenn				/
<b>TOTAL</b>	7			4
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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