

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1013

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 H.B. No. 1013 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the efforts and resources in addressing invasive species in the State by restructuring the Hawaii Invasive Species Council into a new entity, the Hawaii Invasive Species Authority, attached administratively to the Department of Agriculture.

The Department of Agriculture, Department of Land and Natural Resources, University of Hawaii, Office of Environmental Quality Control of the Department of Health, Democratic Party of Hawaii, Big Island Invasive Species Committee, Conservation Council for Hawaii, Hawaii Cattlemens Council, Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species, Hawaii Farm Bureau, Local Food Coalition, Ponoholo Ranch Limited, Ka Ohana O Na Pua, Nature Conservancy of Hawaii, and several individuals testified in support of this measure. The Best Friends Animal Society testified in opposition to this measure.

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 H.B. No. 1013 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection.

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

RICHARD P. CREAGAN, Chair

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

Bill/Resolution No.: HB1013	Committee Referral:  AGR, EEP, F	FIN Date	2-1-17	
θ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) $\theta$ Pass, with amendments (HD) $\theta$ Hold $\theta$ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CREAGAN, Richard P. (C)	V			
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3. GATES, Cedric Asuega				
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TOTAL (7)				
The recommendation is:   Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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