

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

241

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 13, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 1247

H.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and
Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 1247 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RAPID OHIA DEATH,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the
Department of Agriculture for research on the prevention and
mitigation of Rapid Ohia Death.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of
Agriculture, Office of Hawaiian Affairs Beneficiary Advocacy and
Empowerment Committee, University of Hawaii at Manoa College of
Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, Hawaii Farmers Union
United, Conservation Council for Hawaii, Democratic Party of
Hawaii, Aina Ho'okupu o Kilauea, Hawaii Farm Bureau, Coordinating
Group on Alien Pest Species, and numerous individuals supported
this measure.

Your Committees have amended this measure by changing the
effective date to January 28, 2081, to encourage further
discussion.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your
Committees on Energy & Environmental Protection and Agriculture
that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord
with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1247, as amended herein,
and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached

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hereto as H.B. No. 1247, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Energy &
Environmental Protection and
Agriculture,


RICHARD P. CREAGAN, Chair


CHRIS LEE, Chair



