

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 13, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1976
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 1976 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IRRIGATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriate funds to provide additional funding for improvements to the Waiahole irrigation system.

The Department of Agriculture, Agribusiness Development Corporation, Hawai'i Farm Bureau, Local Food Coalition, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, and an individual supported this measure. EcoTipping Points Project opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

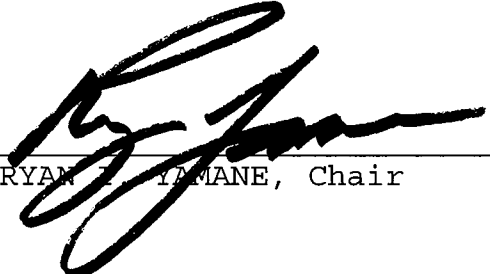
- (1) Changing the amount of the general obligation bonds and appropriation to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your



Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1976, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1976, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water & Land,



RYAN YAMANE, Chair



