

Honolulu, Hawaii  
February 14, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2099  
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 Economic Development & Business, to which was referred H.B. No. 2099, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support agricultural technology to increase Hawaii food security by requiring and providing funds to the Department of Agriculture to conduct a study on the feasibility of authorizing the Department to establish and designate ag-tech zones in residential and commercial areas within the City and County of Honolulu.

The College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources of the University of Hawaii, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and a concerned individual testified in support of this measure. The Department of Agriculture testified in support of the intent of this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2099, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Economic  
Development & Business,

  
CINDY EVANS, Chair



