

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 2, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2101
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 Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2101, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

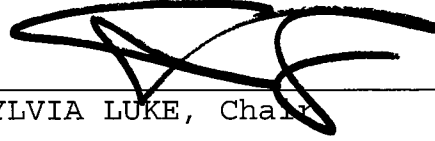
The purpose of this measure is to protect Hawaii's environment by appropriating funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for the operational expenses and staffing costs of the Hawaii Association of Conservation Districts.

The Sierra Club of Hawai'i, Local Food Coalition, Larry Jefts Farms, LLC, Hawai'i Farm Bureau, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Maui County Farm Bureau, Hawaii Coffee Association, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc., Ulupono Initiative, Ag Matters, LLC, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and numerous concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources and Department of Agriculture provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2101, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



