

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 8, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2115
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 Labor & Public Employment, to which was referred H.B. No. 2115 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations for the operations of the K-12 Agriculture Workforce Development Pipeline Initiative.

The Department of Education, Department of Agriculture, a Maui County Councilmember, Maui Chamber of Commerce, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Hawaii Farm Bureau, and a few concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and a concerned individual offered comments.

Should the Committee on Education deliberate on this measure further, your Committee respectfully requests that it consider appropriating \$200,000 for fiscal year 2018-2019 to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations for the operations of the K-12 Agriculture Workforce Development Pipeline Initiative.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation amount from \$200,000 to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor & Public Employment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2115, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2115, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Education.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Labor & Public
Employment,



AARON LING JOHANSON, Chair



