

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 463
H.D. 1
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 463, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD SAFETY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Agriculture, in partnership with the agricultural community, to establish a food safety certification training program for small and medium sized farms to comply with federal requirements.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture, Ulupono Initiative, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that this measure aligns with the State's goals of preserving diversified small farming businesses, promoting food resiliency, and diversifying Hawaii's economy.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 463, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 463, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



