Honolulu, Hawaii

## APR 2'6 2019

RE:

S.B. No. 1148

S.D. 2 H.D. 1 C.D. 1

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

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 1148, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds into and out of the agricultural loan revolving fund for the Department of Agriculture to provide loans to local ranchers and farmers who have experienced losses caused by disasters.

Your Committee on Conference finds that appropriating funds to support local farmers and ranchers helps these local food producers sustain their businesses in the wake of economic challenges and furthers the State's goal to double local food production.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:



- (1) Deleting language that would have limited the Department of Agriculture to distributing agricultural loans only to farmers and ranchers that experienced losses caused by disasters;
- (2) Inserting an appropriation amount of \$2,500,000 into and out of the agricultural loan revolving fund to provide loans to support local ranchers and farmers; and
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2019.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1148, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1148, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

RICHARD P. CREAGAN

Co-Chair

MIKE GABBARD

Chair

SYLVIA LUKE

Co-Chair

LORRAINE R. INOUYE

Co-Chair

## Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.:  SB, 1148, SD 2, HD 1				Date/Time: 4/26/19 10:30 am					
The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure					The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.				
Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	Α	WR	N	Е
GABBARD, Mike, Chr.	V				CREAGAN, Richard P., Co-Chr.	V			
INOUYE, Lorraine R., Co-Chr.					HOLT, Daniel, Co-Chr. LUKE, Sylvia				
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Adopted Not Adopted					Adopted				
Senate Lead Chair's or Designed's Signature:				House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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