

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1623

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 , 2019

RE: S.B. No. 1148
S.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.B. No. 1148, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to assist farmers and ranchers who are vulnerable to natural disasters by appropriating funds to and from the Agricultural Loan Revolving Fund to support local farmers and ranchers who have experienced losses caused by disasters.

The Department of Agriculture, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, Hawai'i Farm Bureau, Maui County Farm Bureau, Maui Chamber of Commerce, Land Use Research Foundation, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, Local Food Coalition, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, and many individuals supported this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1148, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



RICHARD P. CREAGAN, Chair



