

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 929
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 929, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PESTICIDES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Department of Agriculture to submit an annual report to the Legislature detailing the scope of its pesticide inspections and compliance investigations;
- (2) Require the issuance of a warning notice for first time pesticide violators; and
- (3) Increase the penalties for pesticide violations.

Down to Earth Organic and Natural, Americans for Democratic Action, Young Progressive Demanding Action, CropLife America, Greener Hawaii, Birds With Arms Farms, IUMAlliance, We Are One, Inc., O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Hawai'i Center for Food Safety, Na Kupuna Moku O Keawe, A'a Li'i Farm, Hawai'i Alliance for Progressive Action, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Hawai'i Farm Bureau, Western Plant Health Association, and numerous individuals supported this



measure. The Department of Agriculture, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, and an individual provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Remove the annual reporting requirement of the Department of Agriculture; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 929, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 929, H.D. 2.

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



CHRIS LEE, Chair



