

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3332**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2782
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2782, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL MEALS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require and appropriate funds for the Department of Education to develop and implement a plant-based food and beverage program.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Blue Zones Project, Climate Protectors Coalition, Vegetarian Society of Hawaii, Friends of the Earth, Kahana Foundation, 350Hawaii.org, and several individuals.

Your Committee received written comments in opposition to this measure from Thompson Ranch; PonoHolo Ranch Limited; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council; Hawaii Meats, LLC; Ulupalakua Ranch; Kealia Ranch; Maui Cattle Company; and several individuals.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from an individual.

Your Committee finds that there is growing evidence to support the benefits of plant-based diets and plant-based milk options. Exposing students to plant-based meals and plant-based milk options can shift students' perceptions about healthy foods,



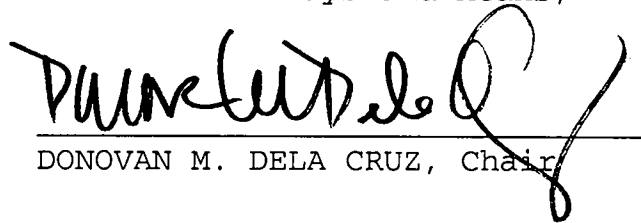
which can influence eating behaviors outside of the school environment and into adulthood.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 S.B. No. 2782, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2782, S.D. 2.

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

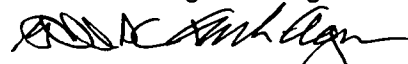


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
<i>SB 2782, SD1</i>	<i>EDU, WAM</i>	<i>2/25/20</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	X			
HARIMOTO, Breene				X
INOUE, Lorraine R.				X
KAHELE, Kaiali'i				X
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X			
RIVIERE, Gil		X		
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	<i>9</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>3</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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