

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2975  
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,  
to which was referred S.B. No. 2975, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to exempt applications for a class 1 license from the automatic refusal of a liquor license if the land is designated as agricultural by state or county zoning laws in situations where a majority of the agricultural products used to manufacture the liquor are grown and produced in the State.

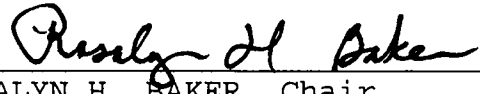
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from LBD Coffee, LLC. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that there is a desire to grow and produce agricultural products for the manufacturing of liquor. However, your Committee further finds that under existing law, a person may be denied a class 1 liquor license if a majority of neighbors protest or object to the application. Your Committee believes that there is merit in diversifying the agricultural industry in the State by exempting agricultural producers who wish to use their own agricultural products to produce liquor from being disqualified by a majority protest of their neighbors when seeking a class 1 liquor license.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2975, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Commerce, Consumer  
Protection, and Health,



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ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



