

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 234
S.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 234, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO EXPAND ITS QUARANTINE FACILITIES OF THE PLANT QUARANTINE BRANCH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Department of Agriculture to expand the quarantine facilities of the Plant Quarantine Branch.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from two members of the Hawaii County Council and Hawaii Coffee Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Agriculture.

Your Committee finds that expanded plant quarantine facilities are needed for the Department of Agriculture to respond quickly to newly detected invasive species, which can often prevent the species from becoming firmly established, thereby saving taxpayers money in the long term and preventing significant environmental and agricultural impacts.

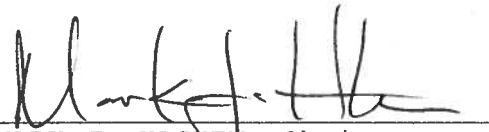
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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 234, S.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



MARK J. HASHEM, Chair



