

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3862

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 8 2022

RE: H.B. No. 2062
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2062, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LOANS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to provide emergency relief and rehabilitation to eligible farmers throughout the State.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Establishes the agricultural emergency loan revolving fund to provide class D emergency loans made pursuant to section 155-9(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (2) Allows for payments received on account of principal from loans made by the agricultural emergency loan revolving fund to be credited to the revolving fund; and
- (3) Appropriates moneys into and out of the agricultural emergency loan revolving fund.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture, Hawaii Cattlemen's



Council, Hawaii Farm Bureau, Ulupono Initiative, and two individuals.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that because environmental and economic disasters and emergencies are occurring with greater frequency, the demand for emergency relief during times of hardship caused by unforeseen crises has increased. Accordingly, your Committee believes that the establishment of an agricultural emergency loan revolving fund to serve as a dedicated source of funding for agricultural emergency loans will help to support farmers throughout the State during and following disasters and emergencies.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2051, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

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 H.B. No. 2062, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2062, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.

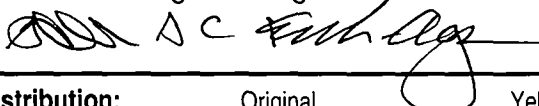
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-First Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 2062, HD1	Committee Referral: AEN, WAM	Date: 4/5/22		
<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			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
MISALUCHA, Bennette E.	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	11			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes