STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1512

Honolulu, Hawaii

## APR 0 9 2021

RE: H.B. No. 756

H.D. 2 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 756, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require that one of the at-large positions on the Board of Agriculture be the Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission; and
- (2) Provide that the Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission shall not serve on the Board of Agriculture until the expiration of a current at-large member's term.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Your Committee finds that the Department of Agriculture supports, enhances, promotes, and protects the State's agriculture and aquaculture industries. The Hawaiian Homes Commission Act authorizes the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to lease agricultural lands or lands used for aquaculture purposes. As the

State looks to increase food security across the State, the interests of agricultural homestead lessees should be represented on the Board of Agriculture. This measure requires one of the atlarge members of the Board of Agriculture to be filled by the Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission.

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. 756, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

KARL RHOADS, Chair

## The Senate Thirty-First Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary JDC

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HB756, HD2, SD1	SOT, NWH   MAA			4/1/2021	
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (W	R) Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)		>			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)		<b>~</b>			
ACASIO, Laura			<b>~</b>		
GABBARD, Mike		<b>V</b>			
KIM, Donna Mercado	·	<b>J</b>	1		
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FEVELLA, Kurt				<b>V</b>	
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