

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2605

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2022

RE: S.B. No. 1025

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 1025 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the Department of Agriculture to plan, design, construct, operate, manage, maintain, repair, demolish, and remove infrastructure on any lands under its jurisdiction;
- (2) Establish the Agricultural Enterprise Program and Special Fund; and
- (3) Require the Board of Agriculture to annually report an accounting of non-agricultural park lessees to the Legislature.

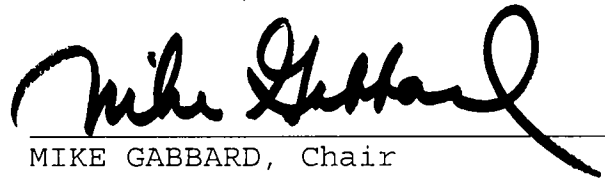
Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture; Ulupono Initiative; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Local Food Coalition; Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii; Larry Jefts Farms, LLC; Hawaii Aquaculture & Aquaponics Association; East O'ahu County Farm Bureau; and Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.



Your Committee finds that many small farming operations do not have access to the resources required to maintain high productivity processing, packing, storage, and distribution enterprises. The Department of Agriculture plays an important role in supporting enterprises that lack the necessary resources to increase productivity. This measure establishes an agricultural enterprise program, which will allow the Department of Agriculture to provide continued support for agricultural enterprises.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1025 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.


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


MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-First Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Agriculture and Environment
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 1025	AEN, WAM	02/07/22		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	/			
ACASIO, Laura		/		
RHOADS, Karl	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
TOTAL	4	1		
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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