

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2878

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2621
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 S.B. No. 2621 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate moneys to the Department of Agriculture to control the spread of bovine tuberculosis among livestock and feral ungulates on the island of Molokai.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture, Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Hawaii Farm Bureau, and Hawaii Farm Bureau - Molokai Chapter.

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

Your Committee finds that funding for the detection, containment, and suppression of bovine tuberculosis is essential to the State's food security efforts and for the survival of the State's cattle industry.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation from \$500,000 to an unspecified amount;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (3) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 S.B. No. 2621, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2621, S.D. 1.

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


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



