

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1828

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 31, 2023

RE: H.C.R. No. 169
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 169 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO EXAMINE EXISTING LAWS RELATED TO THE SUGAR AND PINEAPPLE INDUSTRIES AND DETERMINE WHETHER UPDATES SHOULD BE MADE FOR THE UTILIZATION OF DIVERSIFIED CROPS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Agriculture to examine existing laws related to the sugar and pineapple industries and determine whether updates should be made for the utilization of diversified crops.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Agriculture.

Your Committee finds that the downsizing of the sugar and pineapple industries presents an opportunity to transform agriculture into a dynamic, diversified growth industry. Therefore, your Committee further finds that an examination of laws and a determination regarding updates, as proposed in this measure, are logical and prudent.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

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- (1) Requesting the Department of Agriculture to consult with the Agribusiness Development Corporation in examining existing laws related to the sugar and pineapple industries and determining whether updates should be made for the utilization of diversified crops;
- (2) Amending its title in accordance with its amended purpose; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 169, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 169, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Agriculture & Food
Systems,



CEDRIC ASUEGA GATES, Chair



