

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2169

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 07 2024

RE: S.B. No. 2291
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism,
to which was referred S.B. No. 2291 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADVISORY BOARDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish
advisory boards, focused on workforce development, for the
Agribusiness Development Corporation, Hawaii Technology
Development Corporation, and the Natural Energy Laboratory of
Hawaii Authority.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and
Tourism; Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; Hawaii
Technology Development Corporation; Agribusiness Development
Corporation; Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority; and
Hawai'i Farm Bureau.

Your Committee finds that seeking and encouraging
partnerships within the agricultural, technology, and natural
energy industries will support the desired increase in exports and
local food production, as well as the overarching goal of creating
a sustainable local economy. Your Committee further finds that
the establishment of the advisory boards pursuant to this measure
will support the departmental and agency initiatives by further
identifying workforce needs and improving the coordination and



alignment with the State's businesses, community partners, and other government agencies.

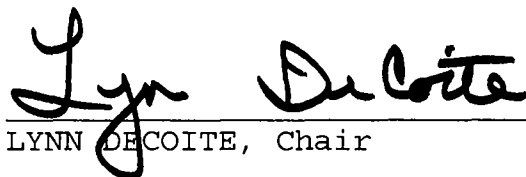
Your Committee notes this measure contains unspecified requirements as to the frequency with which the advisory boards are to meet. Your Committee respectfully requests that subsequent Committees who may choose to deliberate on this measure make recommendations as to the frequency of meetings for the advisory boards.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the membership of the advisory boards, by adding a representative of the Hawai'i Farm Bureau, or their designee, to be invited by the Governor to participate as a member, and removing the Executive Director of the Hawaii Natural Energy Institute as a member;
- (2) Inserting an effective date of January 1, 2060, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2291, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2291, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.


Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy, Economic
Development, and Tourism,


LYNN DECOITE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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<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
DECOITE, Lynn (C)	/			
WAKAI, Glenn (VC)				/
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado		/		
FEVELLA, Kurt				/
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Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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