

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3011

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 2024

RE: S.B. No. 3361

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 3361 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE FUEL,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to include oilseed cover crops, such as camelina, carinata, pennycress, and sunflower, among the crops for which the costs of acquisition may be reimbursed to farming operations pursuant to the three-year cover crop reimbursement pilot program.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Biotechnology Innovation Organization; Hawaii Farm Bureau; Pacific Biodiesel Technologies, LLC; and two individuals.

Your Committee recognizes that Act 312, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, established the cover crop reimbursement pilot program to provide farming operations with an incentive to use land management practices that enhance the quality and sustainability of agricultural lands. Your Committee also recognizes that oilseed cover crops may be used to produce renewable energy and increase pollinator health and biodiversity. Your Committee finds that including oilseed cover crops in the cover crop reimbursement pilot program is appropriate, as those crops will both increase agricultural productivity and further the State's agricultural sustainability goals.



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. 3361 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 3301	Committee Referral: AEN, WAM	Date: 3/1/24		
<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
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				X
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	12	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: _____				
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