

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2025

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RE: H.B. No. 534
H.D. 2
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madam and Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 534, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LABELING REQUIREMENTS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit the sale of processed food items with raw ahi products as an ingredient at Hawaii retail establishments without a label stating the country in which the ahi was landed.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Prohibiting the sale of raw processed ahi, rather than processed food items with raw ahi products as an ingredient, without a label stating the country in which the ahi was landed, and codifying the provisions under



chapter 486, Hawaii Revised Statutes, rather than chapter 481B, Hawaii Revised Statutes;

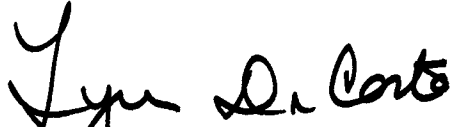
- (2) Inserting a definition for "raw processed ahi";
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2026; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

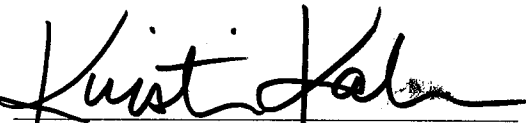
As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 534, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 534, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1.


Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

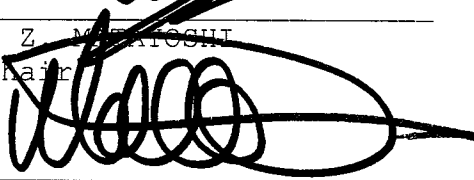
ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE


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Co-Chair


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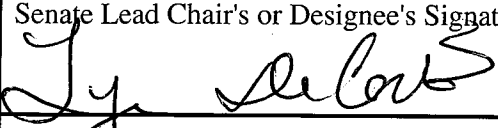
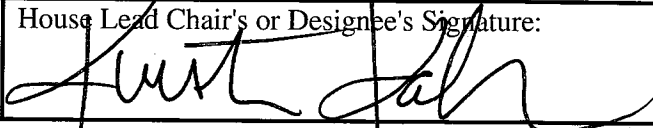

MATTHIAS KUSCH
Co-Chair



Hawaii State Legislature

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Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: HB 534, HD 2, SD 1					Date/Time: April 25, 2025 2:41 PM				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
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<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure					<input type="checkbox"/> The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.				
Senate Managers	A	WR	N	E	House Managers	A	WR	N	E
DECOITE, Lynn, Chr.	✓				KAHALOA, Kirstin, Co-Chr.	✓			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim", Co-Chr.	✓				MATAYOSHI, Scot Z., Co-Chr.	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado	✓				KUSCH, Matthias, Co-Chr.	✓			
AWA, Brenton				✓	MIYAKE, Tyson K.	✓			
					PIERICK, Elijah	✓			
TOTAL	3			1	TOTAL	5			
A = Aye		WR = Aye with Reservations			N = Nay		E = Excused		
Senate Recommendation is:					House Recommendation is:				
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Senate Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:					House Lead Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
									
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