STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1381

Honolulu, Hawaii

## MAR 3 1 2025

RE: S.R. No. 157

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

## Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture and Environment, to which was referred S.R. No. 157 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO DESIGNATE KUNIA, LEILEHUA PLATEAU, AND POAMOHO AS THE CENTRAL OAHU AGRICULTURAL CORRIDOR AND TO ESTABLISH A LIST PRIORITIZING POTENTIAL AGRICULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS THAT WOULD PROVIDE THE MOST VALUE TO THE STATE, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- Request the Department of Agriculture to designate Kunia, Leilehua Plateau, and Poamoho as the Central Oahu Agricultural Corridor;
- Request the Department of Transportation to plan, (2) design, and implement certain traffic signage;
- Request the Department of Agriculture to establish a (3) list prioritizing potential agricultural infrastructure improvement projects that would provide the most value to the State; and
- (4)Request the Department of Agriculture to submit a report to the Legislature prior to the Regular Session of 2026.

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

Your Committee recognizes that the State has an established goal to double local food production by 2030, and therefore should consider the needs of farmers in the development of new infrastructure to meet this goal. This measure seeks to prioritize agriculture in long-term state and county planning, especially in Kunia, Leilehua Plateau, and Poamoho.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 157 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Agriculture and Environment,

MIKE GABBARD, Chair

## The Senate Thirty-Third Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Agriculture and Environment AEN

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SR 157	AEN			03-17-25		
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.						
If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members		Aye	Aye (WI	R) Na	y Excused	
GABBARD, Mike (C)		X				
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim" (VC)		$\lambda$				
DECOITE, Lynn		X				
RHOADS, Karl						
AWA, Brenton						
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TOTAL		2				
Recommendation:						
Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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