STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1767

Honolulu, Hawaii APR 0 4 2025

RE: H.B. No. 650 H.D. 1 S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 650, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEA SALT PRODUCTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to ensure the continued viability of Hawaii's sea salt manufacturing industry.

Specifically, this measure appropriates moneys to provide education and support for local businesses regarding the United States Food and Drug Administration's guidance on colored sea salt.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Agriculture; Hawaii Farm Bureau; Hawaii Food Industry Association; Chamber of Commerce Hawaii; and Hawaii Kai Corporation.

Your Committee finds that appropriating moneys to educate and provide support for local sea salt manufacturers on the United States Food and Drug Administration's industry guidance on the use of color additives in sea salt products will promote the continued safe sale of Hawaii-made sea salt products.

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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 H.B. No. 650, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, 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, Chai

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Bill / Resolution No.:* HBGSO HD1 SD1	Committee Referral: EDT, WAM			Date: 4/2/2025	
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 (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		\times			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)		\mathbf{X}			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.		\mathbf{X}			
DECOITE, Lynn		\checkmark			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.		\times			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.		X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		\times			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		\times			
KIDANI, Michelle N.		\times			
KIM, Donna Mercado		×			
LEE, Chris		X			
WAKAI, Glenn		$\boldsymbol{\times}$			
FEVELLA, Kurt		\checkmark			
TOTAL		13	0	0	Ò
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's Ø Designee's Signature:					
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