

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2094

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 14 , 2025

RE: S.C.R. No. 141
S.D. 1

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 141, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO COLLABORATE WITH THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REGARDING GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,"

begs leave to report as follows: ,

The purpose of this measure urges the Department of Agriculture to collaborate with the Agribusiness Development Corporation regarding grant funding opportunities with the United States Department of Agriculture to provide more support for local agricultural organizations or entities and encourage the development of a sustainable agricultural industry in the State.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Agribusiness Development Corporation, Department of Agriculture, and Hawai'i Farm Bureau.

Your Committee finds that the Aloha+ Challenge goal of increasing local food production may require more available land for agricultural projects, and more available labor to support the production and distribution of products. Your Committee further finds that the United States Department of Agriculture provides grant opportunities to improve the development and performance of

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agricultural organizations and to provide funding and aid to local farmers and ranchers to promote their continued growth and performance. This measure urges the Department of Agriculture and the Agribusiness Development Corporation to collaborate for grant funding opportunities with the United States Department of Agriculture.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 141, S.D. 1, and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Agriculture & Food
Systems,


KIRSTIN KAHALOA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold
 Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. KAHALOA, Kirstin (C)	✓			
2. KUSCH, Matthias (VC)	✓			
3. LOWEN, Nicole E.	✓			
4. PERRUSO, Amy A.	✓			
5. QUINLAN, Sean				✓
TOTAL 5	4			1

The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted
 If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.
(committee acronym(s))

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: *[Handwritten Signature]*