

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16, 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2146
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 2146, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL TOURISM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Make state agricultural tourism requirements applicable to all counties, instead of only counties that have adopted an agricultural tourism ordinance; and
- (2) Require the Land Use Commission to adopt rules that establish requirements applicable to all farming operations that undertake agricultural tourism.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i Tourism Authority. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Agriculture and Hawai'i Farm Bureau.

Your Committee finds that the statewide applicability of agricultural tourism requirements contemplated by this measure would create greater uniformity across the State.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the term "agricultural tourism" and using only the term "agricultural tourism activities";
- (2) Retaining the existing statutory requirement that agricultural tourism activities are allowed only in counties that have adopted ordinances regulating agricultural tourism under section 205-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and deleting all proposed amendments to section 205-5(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2146, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2146, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Water & Land,


LINDA ICHIYAMA, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB2146 HD1	Committee Referral: AGR, WAL, FIN	Date: 2/13/24		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ICHIYAMA, Linda (C)	/			
2. POEPOE, Mahina (VC)	/			
3. CHUN, Cory M.	/			
4. GANADEN, Sonny	/			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				✓
6. MIZUNO, May Besario	✓			
7. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
8. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	✓			
9. SOUZA, Kanani	✓			
TOTAL (9)	9	0	0	1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Linda DeHingne</u>				
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