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Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 27 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 496 H.D. 2

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 496, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MĀMAKI TEA,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- Establish labeling requirements for māmaki tea, including by prohibiting the use of certain words on a consumer package unless one hundred percent of the tea or dried leaves were grown in the State; and
- (2) Appropriate funds for a Measurement Standards Inspector position.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council; and two individuals.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 496, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,

KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-third Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 496, HD 2	Committee Referral: AGP, LPC, FIN	Dat	··· 2/20/24	
□ 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)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)				
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)				
-3. GRANDINETTI, Tina Nakada				
4. HOLT, Daniel	/			
5. HUSSEY, Ikaika	/			
6. KEOHOKAPU-LEE LOY, Sue L				
7. KITAGAWA, Lisa				
8. KUSCH, Matthias				
9. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.				
10. LEE, Mike				
11. MIYAKE, Tyson K.12. MORIKAWA, Dee			The second second	2002 and 100 april 10
13. TEMPLO, Shirley Ann				
14. ALCOS III, David				
15. REYES ODA, Julie				
16. WARD, Gene				
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If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
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Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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