

Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 27 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 643 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. 643, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COCONUT RHINOCEROS BEETLE PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- Establish short-term management initiatives for the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Response Program, including subsidies for canopy treatments for residential palm owners; and
- (2) Appropriate funds to support the Program's activities and positions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Agriculture; Hawai'i Invasive Species Council; Big Island Invasive Species Committee; Hawai'i Farm Bureau; Mālama Kaua'i; Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species; and five individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; University of Hawai'i System; one member of the Kaua'i County Council; Office of Economic Development of the County of Kaua'i; and National Tropical Botanical Garden.

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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. 643, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

	Committee Referral: AGR, HED , FIN			Date: 2/20/25		
□ 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	Α	yes Ay	yes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)						
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)						
3. GRANDINETTI, Tina Nakada						
4. HOLT, Daniel			unnin tärrössöttareta 44-44-44	AND AN		
5. HUSSEY, Ikaika						
6. KEOHOKAPU-LEE LOY, Sue L.			Theological and the second second second			
7. KITAGAWA, Lisa	1. ř.					
8. KUSCH, Matthias					and the second	
9. LAMOSAO, Rachele F. 10. LEE, Mike	/		Contrast and a second			
11. MIYAKE, Tyson K.						
12. MORIKAWA, Dee						
13. TEMPLO, Shirley Ann		/ The Brand		(elimetry)))))) Strang		
14. ALCOS III, David			Artalitzaning (S. 19			
15. REYES ODA, Julie						
16. WARD, Gene	and a second					
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TOTAL (16)	9	4	0	0	2	
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.						
Vice Chair's or designee's signature						
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