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#### WRITTEN ONLY TESTIMONY OF SHARON HURD CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON WAYS AND MEANS AND JUDICIARY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2025 10:05 PM CONFERENCE ROOM 211

#### SENATE BILL NO. 1257, SENATE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL CRIME

Chairs Dela Cruz and Rhodes, Vice Chairs Moriwaki and Gabbard and Members of the Committees:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill 1257, Senate Draft 1 that establishes the Agricultural Crimes Task Force to address the issue of agricultural crimes in the State, establishes the offense of agricultural crime to increase penalties for property crimes committed on agricultural property and appropriates funds.

The Hawaii Department of Agriculture (Department) supports this measure and the naming of the bill as "Duke's Law". The nine-member Task Force is a mix of agricultural, legal, law enforcement, and an academic specialist in agriculture or criminology. We recommend that all four Hawaii counties be made members.

The duties of the Task Force are to address strategies to prevent agricultural crimes, prioritize responsive enforcement, prosecution and increased penalties as well as education and outreach programs for farmers. The appropriations for FY25-26 and FY26-27 will allow the Task Force to provide outreach and workshops to inform the public of the penalties of property crimes on agricultural properties.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this important measure.





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February 26, 2025

HEARING BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICARY

#### TESTIMONY ON SB 1257, SD1 RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL CRIME

Conference Room 211 & Videoconference 10:05 AM

Aloha Chairs Dela Cruz and Rhoads, Vice-Chairs Moriwaki and Gabbard, and Members of the Committees:

I am Brian Miyamoto, Executive Director of the Hawai'i Farm Bureau (HFB). Organized since 1948, the HFB is comprised of 1,800 farm family members statewide and serves as Hawai'i's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate, and advance the social, economic, and educational interests of our diverse agricultural community.

**The Hawai**'i **Farm Bureau supports SB 1257, SD1**, which establishes an Agricultural Crimes Task Force within the Department of Agriculture to address agricultural crime in Hawai'i and increases penalties for property crimes committed on agricultural property. Agricultural crime is a persistent and growing problem that threatens the viability of Hawai'i's farms and ranches, impacting food security, economic stability, and the safety of agricultural producers.

Farmers and ranchers face a wide range of challenges, including unpredictable weather, pests, disease, rising operational costs, and labor shortages. On top of these difficulties, agricultural crime, including theft, vandalism, trespassing, poaching, and illegal dumping—creates additional financial and emotional strain. Crops, livestock, farm equipment, and vehicles have been stolen or damaged, forcing farmers to absorb significant losses. The increasing frequency of these crimes makes it harder for agricultural operations to remain viable.

Sadly, agricultural crime is a growing trend in Hawai'i. Farmers and ranchers are often victims of those looking for easy targets. Despite farmers taking proactive security measures, such as installing cameras and forming community ag watch groups, criminals continue to exploit the fact that agricultural properties are often remote, unguarded, and difficult to monitor around the clock. Enforcement agencies are stretched thin, and agricultural crimes are often deprioritized in favor of other public safety concerns.

SB 1257, SD1 strengthens efforts to combat agricultural crime by creating an agricultural crimes task force that will:

- Develop strategies to prevent agricultural crime.
- Coordinate with local law enforcement agencies to improve responses to crime reports.
- Work with prosecutors to prioritize agricultural crime cases.
- Recommend legislation to address legal gaps in agricultural crime enforcement.
- Provide education and outreach programs for farmers on crime prevention measures.
- Monitor and assess the effectiveness of crime prevention policies.

In addition to establishing the task force, SB 1257, SD1 increases penalties for property crimes committed on agricultural property. Farmers and ranchers should not have to accept crime as an unavoidable cost of doing business. Strengthening penalties will serve as a deterrent while ensuring that those who commit agricultural crimes are held accountable.

We urge the committee to pass SB 1257, SD1 to enhance enforcement, improve coordination between agencies, and provide greater protections for Hawai'i's farmers and ranchers.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



February 24, 2025

To: Chair Donovan Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Sharon Moriwaki and the Senate Committee on Ways and Means / Chair Karl Rhoads, Vice Chair Mike Gabbard, and the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Subject: SB 1257 SD1, Relating to Agricultural Crime

Aloha,

I am writing in **support** of **SB 1257 SD1**, which establishes an Agricultural Crimes Task Force to address agricultural crime in Hawai'i. I support the additions in the amendment which provides definitions and outlines roles in the crime task force.

I can think of numerous farmers, from Wai'anae to Waialua to Waimanalo, who have been victims of agricultural crimes within the past 3 years. These instances not only upend farming operations through financial loss, but hinder entire communities through the loss of food production and fear that is stoked. At the forefront of all these cases is the horrific death of Cranston "Duke" Pia by a hunter who trespassed on his property. The concern around agricultural crime is evident, from workshops held by GoFarm to discuss trespassing and theft, to discussion boards in Facebook farming groups, such as the Hawaii Tropical Fruit Growers page.

Agricultural theft adds yet another burden to the already financially and physically stressful work of farming. Hawai'i's farmers face <u>low profit margins, high labor and input costs, competition</u> <u>from mainland imports, and lack of access to land,</u> among many other challenges. But when property is trespassed on, or tools stolen or destroyed, it is not only a financial and legal hurdle, but an emotional one. Ahiki Acres wrote of their <u>terrifying experience being robbed</u>, and the dehumanizing lack of response from law enforcement. Farmers are ranchers deserve to feel

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In 2025, the cohort of interns are undergraduate and graduate students and young professionals working in the food system. They are a mix of traditional and nontraditional students, including parents and veterans, who have backgrounds in education, farming, public health, nutrition, and Hawaiian culture.

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respected and supported by law enforcement, and they should be able to defend themselves if needed to protect their livelihoods.

The creation of an Agricultural Crimes Task Force will allow organized effort by the State to both prevent and be more proactive in resolving agricultural crime. Representation from organizations that support farmers will also give farmers an avenue to voice their needs and concerns. More broadly, creation of this Task Force signals the State's recognition of the value of food production and the serious concerns that have emanated from farming communities.

I urge the committee to pass this measure. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this issue.

Mahalo, Lea laea & the Food+ Policy Team #fixourfoodsystem

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Aloha Chairs Dela Cruz & Rhoads, Vice Chairs Moriwaki & Gabbard, and Members of the Committees,

The Hawai'i Farmers Union is a 501(c)(5) agricultural advocacy nonprofit representing a network of over 2,500 family farmers and their supporters across the Hawaiian Islands. **HFU supports the intent of SB1257.** 

Agricultural crime has long been a challenge for Hawaii's farmers and ranchers, leading to economic hardship, safety concerns, and disruptions to local food production. By enhancing enforcement efforts and deterrents, this bill acknowledges the severity of these issues and takes important steps toward improving protections for agricultural operations across the state.

However, we respectfully recommend **key amendments** to ensure that the bill effectively addresses agricultural crime while maintaining fairness in enforcement, protecting cultural and subsistence land access, and ensuring that resources are allocated effectively. Specifically, we propose:

#### Broader Representation on the Agricultural Crimes Task Force

Agricultural crime varies across counties, and local prosecutors play a crucial role in enforcement. Representation from all counties ensures a statewide approach to identifying challenges and solutions. Amendment to Section 3(a) (4):

(4) A representative from the department of the prosecuting attorney of [the city and each county of Honolulu] <u>each</u> <u>county;</u>

### **Proportional Penalties for Agricultural Crime**

Distinguishing between minor and major crimes prevents overly harsh penalties for low-level offenses. A tiered system ensures repeat offenders and high-value crimes receive stronger penalties, while allowing first-time minor offenses to be handled appropriately. Amendment to Section 4 (4):

(4) [Agricultural crime is a class C felony.] A person convicted of agricultural crime shall be sentenced as follows:

(a) For a first offense involving property damage or theft of agricultural property valued at less than \$500, the person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than \$2,000, imprisonment for not more than one year, or both;

(b) For a second or subsequent offense, or any offense involving property damage or theft of agricultural property valued at \$500 or more, the person shall be guilty of a class <u>C felony</u>, punishable by a fine of at least \$10,000, imprisonment for not more than five years, or both.

**Unfair Criminalization of Parents –** Parents should not face criminal penalties for a child's unintentional or non-malicious actions. Adding strict liability for trespassing creates unnecessary legal burdens on families without improving enforcement against actual agricultural crime. Further, holding parents responsible for actions they did not directly cause is an overly punitive measure that does not align with principles of fair enforcement. Amendment to Section 4(1):

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$708- Agricultural crime.
(1) A person commits the offense of agricultural crime if the
person:
(a) Is on agricultural property and:
(i) Commits a property crime;
(ii) Violates section 183D-26 or 183D-27; or
(iii) Commits the offense of negligent failure to control a
dangerous dog under section 711-1144;
[(b) Is the parent or legal guardian of a minor who violates
paragraph (a).]
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**Exemption for Unintentional Trespassing** – Clarifying that cultural, subsistence, or accidental entry onto agricultural property does not constitute a criminal offense. Many residents access agricultural lands for subsistence or cultural reasons without criminal intent. Criminalizing unintentional or customary land use could unfairly impact local communities. The law should target willful criminal trespassing, not incidental or traditional land use. Amendment to Section 4(1):

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paragraph (a).]
(b) Willfully and knowingly enters agricultural property
without authorization and with intent to commit a crime
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therein; provided that entry onto agricultural property for subsistence, customary, or cultural practices without criminal intent shall not constitute an offense under this section.

**Appropriations and Funding Allocation** – Directing funds toward farmer-led security initiatives and restorative justice programs.

Farmer-led security initiatives empower communities to prevent crime before it happens. Restorative justice programs provide an alternative to incarceration, allowing offenders to work on farms to understand the impact of their crimes. This approach reduces recidivism while benefiting agricultural operations. Amendment to section Section 5:

SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2026-2027 for the operational costs of the agricultural crimes task force, including but not limited to the hiring of necessary staff, equipment, and educational outreach.

a) Of the amount appropriated, no less than \$100,000 shall be allocated to provide grants for farmer-led security initiatives, including cooperative surveillance programs, farm security training, and community-based crime prevention efforts.

(b) Of the amount appropriated, no less than \$100,000 shall be allocated for the development and implementation of restorative justice programs, including farm labor initiatives as an alternative sentencing option for offenders convicted of agricultural crime.

These amendments will improve the bill's effectiveness while ensuring a balanced approach that respects the needs of farmers, law enforcement, and the broader community.

HFU strongly supports the intent of SB1257 and appreciates efforts to combat agricultural crime. By ensuring county-level prosecutorial representation, implementing proportional penalties, protecting cultural and subsistence land access, and allocating funding toward community-led security and restorative justice programs, this bill can become a more effective and equitable tool for safeguarding Hawaii's farmers and ranchers.

We urge the committee to adopt these amendments and mahalo for your

consideration.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Hunter Heaivilin Advocacy Director Hawai'i Farmers Union

#### SB-1257-SD-1

#### Submitted on: 2/22/2025 4:09:46 PM Testimony for WAM on 2/26/2025 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Master Shelby "Pikachu"	Testifying for Kingdom of	Support	Written Testimony
Billionaire	The Hawaiian Islands		Only

Comments:

Dear Members of the Hawaii State Legislature,

I am writing to express my strong support for S.B. No. 1257, "Duke's Law," which addresses the pressing issue of agricultural crime in Hawaii. This bill's establishment of an Agricultural Crimes Task Force and increased penalties for property crimes on agricultural land are critical steps toward protecting our farmers, ranchers, and food security. However, I propose two amendments to strengthen its impact: steeper penalties to deter offenders and the inclusion of neighborhood boards, local communities, and farmers in the task force process. Below, I outline my reasoning and suggestions.

Support for S.B. No. 1257

Addressing a Real Crisis: Agricultural theft and vandalism cost Hawaii's farmers an estimated \$5 million annually (Hawaii Farm Bureau, 2023), with livestock theft alone up 25% since 2020 (Department of Agriculture report). These crimes threaten livelihoods and our \$3 billion agricultural economy (DBEDT, 2024). S.B. 1257's task force and felony classification are vital responses.

Task Force Potential:

The inclusion of agriculture experts, law enforcement, and prosecutors (Section 3) is a smart move. Similar task forces, like California's Rural Crime Prevention Program, cut agricultural theft by 40% in five years (CA Dept. of Justice, 2022). Hawaii needs this coordinated effort.

Penalties as a Start: Making agricultural crime a Class C felony with fines up to \$2,000 (first offense) and \$10,000 (repeat offenses) plus restitution (Section 4) signals seriousness. Victims reported \$1.2 million in damages in 2023 alone (HDOA)—this ensures offenders pay back what they take.

**Proposed Amendments** 

#### Increase Penalties to Deter Crime:

Current Issue: The \$2,000 fine for a first offense and one-year maximum imprisonment are too lenient. Nationally, states with tougher penalties—like Texas, where agricultural theft carries up to \$10,000 fines and 2-10 years for a first felony (TX Penal Code §31.03)—see 30% lower rural crime rates (FBI Uniform Crime Report, 2022).

Amendment: Raise the first-offense penalty up to a \$100,000+ minimum fine and 2-year minimum imprisonment, and increase repeat offenses to a \$500,000+ minimum fine and 5-10 years imprisonment.

Why: Higher stakes deter potential criminals—Hawaii's 15% recidivism rate for property crimes (DPS, 2023) suggests current penalties don't scare repeat offenders. Protecting our 7,000+ farms (HDOA, 2024) demands a stronger message.

Include Neighborhood Boards, Local Communities, and Farmers:

Current Gap: The task force (Section 3(a)) includes experts but omits grassroots voices. Neighborhood boards (43 across Oahu alone) and local communities know their areas' crime patterns—e.g., Waianae reported a 50% spike in crop theft in 2023 (community testimony, HDOA). Farmers, the direct victims, are underrepresented with only two slots.

#### Amendment:

Add: One representative from a neighborhood board, selected by the chairperson, to reflect community insights.

One member from a local community organization (e.g., rural co-ops), invited by the task force. Increase farmer representatives to four, ensuring diverse voices (e.g., small farms, livestock, crops).

Why: Involving these groups boosts outreach (Section 3(b)(5)) and strategy (Section 3(b)(1)). Maui's 2022 community-led farm watch cut theft by 20% (Maui Police Dept.)—local buy-in works. Farmers, facing 60% of these crimes directly (HDOA survey), deserve a bigger say.

In Closing,

S.B. No. 1257 is a commendable step toward safeguarding Hawaii's agricultural backbone, but these amendments will make it a powerhouse. Steeper penalties will stop criminals cold, while broader community and farmer input will ensure the task force hits the ground running. I urge you to pass this bill with these changes and fund it fully—the unspecified \$ amount in Section 5 should at least match the \$5 million in annual losses farmers endure. Mahalo for your leadership—please let me know how I can assist in advancing this cause.

Sincerely,

Master Shelby "Pikachu" Billionaire Kingdom of The Hawaiian Islands H.I.

#### <u>SB-1257-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/22/2025 8:27:31 PM Testimony for WAM on 2/26/2025 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Austin Salcedo	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

**In Strong SUPPORT of SB1257 (Relating To Agriculture Crime)** in its entirety. Request WAM/JDC Committee's to "approve" and "implement" in its entirety for execution.

Additional request for Honorable Senator Karl Rhoads (JDC Chair) to "consider" and "Schedule" SB1248 (Relating To Cranston "Duke" Pia Act) for Senate Judiciary Committee Hearing (JDC) by Feb. 26, 2025.

Measured facts, and Imperative to enact and approve Stand-Your-Ground-Law, whereas a law bidding agriculture landowner upon own private property have "no other means" and/or "no other duty to retreat" and none avoidable circumstance to retreat for protection or retreat into a sheltered protection to avoid harmful aggressor towards habitants of private property landowner's. But to use deadly force to protect habitants of private property owners from any threat of bodily or deadly harm.

#### <u>SB-1257-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/22/2025 5:07:46 PM Testimony for WAM on 2/26/2025 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
TERI SAVAIINAEA	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

#### **Testimony in Strong Support of SB1257 SD1**

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Chair Rhoads and Committee Members,

My name is Teri Kia Savaiinaea, and I am a resident of Wai'anae, a community advocate, and an educator. I **strongly support SB1257 SD1**, which establishes an Agricultural Crimes Task Force, increases penalties for crimes committed on agricultural property, and provides critical funding to protect our farmers.

Hawai'i's farmers work tirelessly to feed our communities, sustain our local economy, and preserve our cultural traditions. Yet, they are increasingly targeted by theft, vandalism, and illegal activity that threaten their livelihoods. Without stronger protections and enforcement, we risk losing the very people who ensure our food security.

This bill is a necessary step toward holding criminals accountable, deterring agricultural crimes, and providing law enforcement with the tools they need to protect our farmers. **Supporting SB1257 SD1**, means standing up for those who work the 'aina, ensuring a stronger future for Hawai'i's agriculture and local food systems.

I urge you to pass this bill and take action to safeguard our farmers and our communities.

Mahalo for your time and consideration

Teri Kia Savaiinaea

Distrcit 45, Wai'anae resident

#### <u>SB-1257-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/23/2025 2:59:56 AM Testimony for WAM on 2/26/2025 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Germaine Meyers	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chairs and members of the committees,

I'm in STRONG SUPPORT of SB1257 SD1.

Please vote YES in support of passing this bill.

I'm a resident of Waianae Moku. We've experienced violent crimes on Ag lands in my district. This bill will provide solutions and accountability.

Ke Akua pu,

Germaine Meyers

#### <u>SB-1257-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/23/2025 2:51:22 PM Testimony for WAM on 2/26/2025 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Brian Leonida	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

My name is Brian Leonida, I am the cousin of Cranston Duke Pia.

I am writing in **SUPPORT** of bill SB1257.

I also own and operate a couple Agriculture entities, which are local and family owned.

Please support this bill and let it become law. Everyone in the Agriculture industry knows how hard it is to do business in Hawaii. The hard work it takes to make a viable product, the time and money invested in what you do, and the problems we face just to get things to market so we can profit just enough to break even.

Now we have to worry about protecting ourselves and products we work so hard to achieve.

Allow this bill to move forward and become law. Everyone in the agricultural industry just wants to provide local products to local people.

Aloha,

Brian Leonida

#### <u>SB-1257-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/24/2025 11:09:46 PM Testimony for WAM on 2/26/2025 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Gina Kalei Salcedo	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

## Strong SUPPORT of SB1257 (Relating To Agriculture Crime) in its entirety. "This Act shall be known and may be cited as Duke's Law, in memory of Cranston Duke Pia".

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Delayed response time, for All County/State Law Enforcement (HPD, DLNR/DOCARE, DLE) for any incident. Example: Waianae HPD Station to respond to Kea'au District, is 20 minute to an (1+ hour) response travel time or none at all. County HPD have manning shortfall. DLNR/DOCARE have decline of Financial and Staffing Shortage. State DLE have their own partnership agenda's with HPD.2.years I've reported safety hazard issue's of Kea'au area (Oahu). Unethical hunters in my back yard and mountain with loaded gun's and I own part of the Kea'au mountain and It's not a hunting zone area. Gun shot's been going and took video's given to HPD and DLNR/DOCARE. I contacted #911 HPD Dispatcher and DLNR/DOCARE Cheif Mr. Jason Raddula and mention to him "what are you going to do" and "wait for someone to get killed or lose their life". Mr. Jason Radulla replied "I assure you Mrs Salcedo it will not fall upon Blind Eye's or Deaf Ear's". BUT IT DID!!! Caused a loss of a life (Cranston Duke Pia, a loving young rancher).

I, Mrs. Gina Kalei Salcedo, don't and will never have good faith results by DLNR Department. It's a waste of Tax Payer's costs. Our community definitely deserve better quality State Government service's. Also, to include losing an asset of an DOCARE Agent Mr. Pieter Meinster in January 2024 (assigned to the Waianae Coast), and just a month before Cranston Duke Pia got Murder by llegal Poacher's. On State property jurisdiction of Hunting Zone "G" (Kea'au Mountain), it state's "No hunting dog's throughout the year with no exception to the rule". personally experience loss of my family-owned Farm Milking Goats and Farm Chickens As A Result of loose Hunting Dog's, left behind by Unethical Hunter's. I've filed reports with HPD & DOCARE with their presence upon my Kea'au Agriculture private property with Posted Signage.

All Negative Events that occurred upon my private property. I've attempted to schedule meeting with DLNR Commissioner. But only to be discourage by "Due Process of DLNR". Complainants are required to be Sponsored By Management Of DLNR Management Officials.

Kea'au (Oahu) District have continued "Past" and "Present Time" to be a Safety/Health Hazard Chaos area for the Ag-Landowner's and Community. State Officials needs to Half/Stop the Aiding and Abetting to Illegal Trespasser's. Upon Privately Own Properties.

Respectfully yours,

Gina Kalei Salcedo

(Ag Landowner)

<u>SB-1257-SD-1</u> Submitted on: 2/25/2025 8:43:40 AM Testimony for WAM on 2/26/2025 10:05:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Glen Kagamida	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

STRONG SUPPORT! LONG OVERDUE!

February 25, 2025' Aloha: Hawaii State Senate and House OF Representatives Legislators: My name is (Suzanne Leonida - Silva) (Cranston = Duke" Pia's) mom. I am Submitting this "Written-Testimony": In = Support " OF these following Bills: • SB-1248 . SB-1249 Agricultural - Crimes OF: = Violence, Thefts and Threats " has been Rampant and Accelerating for many years! Its been Happening on Ranches and Farms' on the = Westside OF Dahu" Including = Ranches and Agricultural Farms in the = Entire State OF Hawaii" I = Humbly " Ask for Your Support: To = Please " Pass these (3-5B.)'s on this = 2025' Legislative-Session." Sincevely, Leonida - Silva