Honolulu, Hawaii

Fely 6, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2178

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred H.B. No. 2178 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to allow the Department of Budget and Finance (B&F) to issue special purpose revenue bonds to assist agricultural enterprises that directly benefit and serve important agricultural lands.

The Department of Agriculture, Department of Taxation, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association, and the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation supported this bill. B&F, Maui Land and Pineapple Company, Inc., and the Hawaii Agriculture Research Center supported the intent of this bill. Earthjustice, Hanalei Watershed Hui, and Sierra Club, Hawaii Chapter, opposed this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2178 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

FELIPE P. ABINSAY, JR., Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-third Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture

Bill/Resolution No.:	Date:	101106		
Committee Referral: HAR TVD, FIN	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	☐ Pass, with amendments			
☐ Hold ☐ Recommit				
AGR Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ABINSAY, Felipe P., Jr. (C)	V,			
2. TSUJI, Clift (VC)	V			Name of the second seco
3. CHANG, Jerry L.	-V			
4. HERKES, Robert N.	V			
5. KARAMATSU, Jon Riki	<u> </u>			
6. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.				
7. WAKAI, Glenn	<u> </u>			
8. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
9. HALFORD, Chris				
10. STONEBRAKER, Bud				
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TOTAL	9			/.
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted				
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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