Honolulu, Hawaii

Fe 4 16, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2763 H.D. 1

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

#### Sir:

Your Committees on Agriculture and Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2763 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO ERADICATE AND CONTROL THE COQUI FROG,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to control and eradicate coqui frogs by appropriating \$2,000,000 as a grant-in-aid to the County of Hawaii for support and implementation of the coqui frog working group incident action plan.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii, Maui Outdoor Circle, Kihei Akahi A.O.A.O., C&H Farms, and a concerned individual supported this bill. The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, and Conservation Council for Hawaii supported the intent of this bill. Animal Rights Hawaii opposed this measure. The Maui Invasive Species Committee offered comments.

Although your Committees strongly support efforts to control the spread of coqui frogs on the island of Hawaii, your Committees also recognize the need to address this invasive species on a statewide level. Currently, coqui frogs exist in each county of the state.

Accordingly, your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the \$2,000,000 grant-in-aid for the County of Hawaii;
- (2) Inserting an appropriation for an unspecified amount of funds for coqui frog eradication and control programs in each county of the state;
- (3) Conforming the purpose section to the purpose of the bill as amended; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Agriculture and Energy & Environmental Protection that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2763, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2763, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Agriculture and Energy & Environmental Protection,

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HERMINA MORITA, Chair

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# **Record of Votes of the Committee on Agriculture**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2763	Date: 02/07/06						
Committee Referral: AGR/EEP, 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)							
2. TSUJI, Clift (VC)	V						
3. CHANG, Jerry L.							
4. HERKES, Robert N.							
5. KARAMATSU, Jon Riki							
6. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.	No.						
7. WAKAI, Glenn							
8. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				4			
9. HALFORD, Chris							
10. STONEBRAKER, Bud				-			
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TOTAL	7			3			
The recommendation is: Adopted							
☐ Not Adopted							
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Vice Chair's or designee's signature:							
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The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended	Pass, with amendments					
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EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused		
1. MORITA, Hermina M. (C)	V,					
2. EVANS, Cindy (VC)						
3. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D.						
4. CARROLL, Mele	V					
5. HARBIN, Bev				V		
6. KANOHO, Ezra R.						
7. SCHATZ, Brian						
8. WATERS, Tommy						
9. PINE, Kymberly	<i>\'</i>					
10. THIELEN, Cynthia						
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