STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3442

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 7 2006

RE: H.B. No. 1843

H.D. 1 S.D. 2

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1843, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to direct the Department of Education to establish and administer a comprehensive vocational agriculture education program in the public schools.

Additionally, the measure appropriates funds for the establishment of the program.

Your Committee finds that to maintain and expand Hawaii's agricultural industry, we must educate the younger generation. Today's agricultural workforce requires a broad spectrum of skilled and professional workers, from field workers to researchers, from managers to agronomists. Your Committee believes that this measure will contribute to workforce and economic development, as well as provide our youth with career options.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Clarifying that the duties and responsibilities of the vocational agriculture education program shall be administered by a director;

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- (2) Changing the amount appropriated to \$1 to promote continuing discussion on the matter; and
- (3) Providing an effective date of July 1, 2050.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1843, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1843, H.D. 1, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Ways and Means (Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* HB 1843 HD1 SD1	Committee Referral: EDM/WLA, WA	Date:	3/21/06	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:				
The Recommendation is to:				
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit (2312) (2311) (2310) (2313)				
Members	Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)				
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				
ESPERO, Will				
FUKUNAGA, Carol				
HOOSER, Gary L.				
INOUYE, Lorraine R.				
KANNO, Brian				
KIM, Donna Mercado				
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				
SAKAMOTO, Norman				
HEMMINGS, Fred				
SLOM, Sam				
TRIMBLE, Gordon				
TOTAL	ll the	0	0	4
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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^{*}Do <u>not</u> list more than one measure per Record of Votes.