STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3614

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 11 2006

RE: S.C.R. No. 139

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 139 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COLLEGE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN RESOURCES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF MANDATED OR INCENTIVE BASED VOLUNTARY ROOFTOP LANDSCAPING AND AGRICULTURE IN URBAN DISTRICTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources to study the feasibility of mandated or incentive-based voluntary rooftop landscaping and agriculture in urban districts.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Department of Agriculture, the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, and the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation.

Scientific testing in several countries has shown that rooftop landscaping helps to reduce the amount of pollutants and dust particles in the air and water. Your Committee finds that encouraging more of these projects across the State is appropriate. Accordingly, this measure requests the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources to study the feasibility of mandated or incentive-based voluntary rooftop landscaping and agriculture in urban districts.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 139 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture,

RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Water, Land and Agriculture (Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* C	Committee Referral: Date: 4/7/06				
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 (2312) (2311)			Hold Recommit (2310) (2313)		
Members		Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (C)					
HOOSER, Gary L. (VC)					
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					
FUKUNAGA, Carol					
HEMMINGS, Fred					
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TOTAL		3			2
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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^{*}Do not list more than one measure per Record of Votes.