STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1220

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.H

H.B. No. 1525

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Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 1525, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A GRANT TO WEST MAUL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support a strong and continued livestock industry in Hawaii by appropriating funds for a grant to the West Maui Soil and Water Conservation District to establish a working group to develop a statewide plan for a sustainable livestock industry in Hawaii.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the West Maui Soil and Water Conservation District, the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, the Maui Farm Bureau, and the Hawaii Agriculture Research Center.

The West Maui Soil and Water Conservation District is interested in establishing a working group that will assist and provide methods and alternatives for livestock producers to use that will allow them to continue their operations in Hawaii. The working group will assist in bringing together livestock producers, educators, technical assistance personnel, and agricultural agencies to develop a statewide plan for a sustainable livestock industry in Hawaii. Your Committee finds that the West Maui Soil and Water Conservation District has a long

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track record of accomplishing tasks and it is appropriate that it should spearhead the statewide efforts of the working group.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Indicating that the purpose of the working group will be to develop a statewide plan for a sustainable livestock industry in Hawaii;
- (2) Emphasizing that the efforts of the working group will be a statewide effort with the West Maui Soil and Water Conservation District spearheading this effort; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1525, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1525, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.				
If so, then the previous decision was to:				
The Recommendation is:				
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KOKUBUN, Russell S. (C)				
TOKUDA, JIII N. (VC)	<u> </u>			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	<u> </u>			
HEE, Clayton				X
SLOM, Sam				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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